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# BUDGET OF TRUTH:

RELATIVE TO

THE PRESENT ASPECT OF AFFAIRS

IN

THE RELIGIOUS AND THE POLITICAL WORLD,

ESPECIALLY TO

**The Existing State of Christendom.**

TO WHICH ARE ADDED,

OBSERVATIONS ON THE RESTORATION OF THE JEWS,

AND

"THE HOLY ALLIANCE,"

BEING

A DEVELOPEMENT OF THE PROPHECIES OF DANIEL & JOHN,

WITH

AN APPENDIX

CONTAINING CURIOUS OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE, &c.

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BY JOHN BURRIDGE.

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"What new doctrine is this?"
"Extremum hunc, Deo concede laborem."

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# PREFACE.

In critical cases and complaints, *physicians* are generally obliged to *compound* medicines, and call them MIXTURES. They care little as to their *numbers*, so that they imagine they prescribe the *right medicines* for the fevers, &c. according to the respective SYMPTOMS, requiring firm judgment and experience, as to quantities and quality; so, I, perceiving England's *heart and soul sickness*, in CHURCH and STATE, have ventured to mix, in this book, to the best of my humble skill and knowledge, many subjects, forming *strange mixtures* of *civil*, *political*, and *religious* matters: regardless, like physicians, how disagreeable soever they may be to the PALATES, or rather (on this occasion) to men's *consciences*, eyes, and understandings; therefore, I admit, NECESSITY has obliged me to use the strongest COMPOUNDS; but all, not possessing common sense or reflection, will "THROW PHYSIC TO THE DOGS," regardless of THE GREAT PHYSICIAN, who daily offers his divine *medicine*, GRATIS.



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Mr. Auldjo has just published a book, called "The Ascent of *Mont Blanc*, 8 and 9 Aug. 1827." When near the summit, the party found a bridge, or mass of snow, laying across a chasm (several hundred feet deep), over which the party passed, after having breakfasted upon it, because rather sheltered from the wind! The heedless creatures chose that spot for breakfast; if an avalanche had happened, eternity must have opened in a minute upon them.

On accidentally viewing the plate, I thought it was an allegory of Christendom's danger, she having placed herself upon the quicksands of UNIVERSAL IDOLATRY, instead of the rock of God, whence she must be launched into the precipice of hell (in the midst of the abomination of desolation), by earthquakes, &c.

No part of this world has been more blessed than Great Britain, our native land. The bowels of the earth contain all that is necessary to contribute to the comforts, convenience, and commerce, of human life, while the surface yields abundance of the *staff of life*, and almost all the luxuries, under a mild healthy climate. In the midst of abundance, millions pine and die in want and wretchedness.

Our coal mines alone, afford inexhaustible treasures—our copper, tin, lead, and salt mines, are inestimable blessings.

If Englishmen employed all these blessings

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aright, to the praise and glory of God, and good of mankind, England would remain a paradise; but her princes, priests, and people, are inoculated by Romans, although I believe Englishmen are still subject to a PREMUNIRE, if they hold any correspondence with *the Most Holy Lord* and Father, Pius VIII. or Vicarius Filii Dei, by a law which ought to be repealed, if Romans be Christians, and, if Christians, it was *madness* to proscribe them at all in 1688.

If the church revenues be abolished, and all yearly stipends, should we find *forty-five*, or five preachers of the gospel, gratis, like the apostles, to the praise and glory of God, with pure hearts?

Thus hath the Lord said, "Go set a watchman: let him declare what he seeth, and he cried, a LION: my LORD—*Babylon is fallen, is fallen.*" Now, the interpretation seems, Christ is come like a LION, because he has been rejected as a LAMB. The prophet did *not* actually see *a lion*, but swift horsemen and chariots, emblematical of Christ's speed and power, like lightning; but Christ *himself* remains invisible.

Even Christ was charged with being *mad*, and having a DEVIL; therefore, I am well aware what "*a hornet's nest*" I draw about me, upon entering the field, even single handled, against *the hosts of* ARMAGEDDON, but I enter it as a humble, but true *soldier of Christ*, desiring to trust in his *Almighty* strength, who hath declared, that "*no king* can be



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saved by the multitude of a host;" even in him, who once enabled ASA* to defeat hosts, and delivered Gideon†, with 300 chosen men, from the *Midianites'* immense army, into whose hearts he struck a midnight panic, and turned every heathen's sword against his fellow.

I desire to look up to him, who said, "*All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer* (BELIEVING), *ye shall receive.*"‡—"Believe me, for the very work's sake." Credite operibus. "Verily, verily, he that believeth in me, the works I do, shall he do also; and even greater works. Whatsoever he shall ask in my name, that will I do."§

O Lord, I pray thee, therefore, this blessed sabbath, 2 May, 1830, to hasten thy kingdom, and confound the devil and all his works — to deliver thy church and people from the *universal* bondage of idolators, and let all flesh praise and magnify thy holy name here, a thousand years, and hereafter for ever and ever.

I wish it were possible to omit *the Appendix*, and not to drag my readers through THE SLUDGE; but having also found a divine indictment, laid against Christendom, I am obliged to produce natural and visible evidence to support the prosecution, and bring the charges home, rather than let it depend upon my *ipse dixit*. *The Appendix* puts a seal or stamp upon the book. Prepare for trial!!

* Vide lege et crede. † 2d Book Chronicles. ‡ Matt. xxi. § John xiv.

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# INTRODUCTION.

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OMNES probi honestique operam navabunt, ut universæ reipublicæ singulisque civibus consulatur.

"This book shall be written for those that come after, and the people who shall be born shall praise the Lord, when the Lord shall build Sion." *Psalm* cii.

"Preach the Gospel to every creature. The gospel shall be published in all the world."

"Some things shalt thou *publish*, and some things shalt thou show *secretly* to the wise." *Ezra.*

"The wise shall understand, but none of the wicked shall understand." *Dan.*

"A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land." *Jer.* v. 30.

"The destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way." *Jer.* iv. 7.

"The ENDS of the world are come." 1 *Cor.* x. 11.

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We are surrounded by signs and wonders, beyond all human power, they must be either *divine* or *diabolical;* both are regarded with equal indifference by the mass of Christendom: surely this is THE FALLING AWAY, which Paul prophecied to the Thessalonians, 2 ep. 2 chap. 3 ver. and what is said to *one* is said to *all.*

Daniel was ordered to seal up the book till the time of the end of the indignation of the Lord.

St. John was ordered to seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and to write them not.

The world would still be in UTTER darkness, but for the



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gospel light; without it, all would be at sea, without compass or rudder.

The gospel appears, like God's bill, drawn upon Christendom, which has been refused acceptance or practice, and is now dishonoured.

The divine drawer has long protested against its disgrace, he has waited long for payment, but is ridiculed and scorned, therefore he will exact THE PENALTIES.

This has led the world to its present dreadful *pitch* and dreadful pass!!

The whole world is actually at war — the *bone* of contention is *gold* — "*every one going beyond to defraud his brother*," — what is this but the battle of ARMAGEDDON? "There is no peace to the wicked." Is this not "the battle EVERY ONE has against another?" what else can constitute a *universal battle*, which EVERY ONE MUST LEAVE in his own land? — then universal peace must follow.

What wonder, if God arise to confound and destroy the locusts, eating up the vineyards, causing millions to perish daily, in the midst of all the bounties of nature. Contrast this, for a moment, with the siege of Jerusalem, when men, women, and children, ate each other, under death-like hunger. It is a vulgar adage, that "*what has happened may happen again*;" it is true, with *one exception*, the world can never suffer another total deluge of *water*.

Readers are requested to observe one main point, essentially necessary to understand the prophecies, viz. the prophets generally used the INDICATIVE MOOD, *present* tense, as often or oftener than the FUTURE TENSE, which renders many things obscure to all who do not stedfastly search the Bible, and follow the divine plough.

When God's prophets spoke, in the PRESENT TENSE, relative to FUTURE events (contrary to all *human* customs) they certainly used *the present* tense, expressly to show mankind that all what God foretells or decrees, is, most surely, the same as DONE.

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Hence innumerable misinterpretations arise, of the most *blasphemous* nature, among preachers, who, finding Isaiah, Jeremiah, &c. denounce most terrible curses against sinners, apply the whole to THE JEWS, saying they are all fulfilled, and then prophecy blessings upon the Gentiles, committing greater abominations than the Jews!!

Take one grand instance, "*Unto us a child is born,*" spoken, in direct allusion to the birth of Christ, many centuries before that blessed event!!!

For further principal instances, read and compare the 21 Isaiah, with the 14 and 18 chapters of Revelations.

Isaiah prophecied, 758 years before Christ, of the fall of Babylon, which fell under CYRUS 220 years afterwards, or 538 years before Christ.

Isaiah says, "BABYLON IS FALLEN, IS FALLEN, and all the graven images," &c. Twice St. John uses nearly *the same remarkable words,* about 634 years after the overthrow of BABYLON by Cyrus, in the 14 and 18 chapters of Revelations, viz. "BABYLON THE GREAT IS FALLEN, IS FALLEN, AND IS BECOME THE HABITATION OF DEVILS." Consequently St. John could not allude to old Babylon (then in ashes and uninhabited), but to Christendom, London, Rome, and all nations falling into idolatry or covetousness, by the abandonment of Christ's doctrine and example of humility, charity, peace, truth, and justice!!!

Why do not the clergy, the learned doctors, proclaim the truth, promises and threats of God, without respect to persons? the answer is, unfortunately, because covetousness reigns universally. Men forfeit or barter eternal rewards for worldly honours, promotions, and riches.

The expression repeated *thrice* by Isaiah and John, "*Babylon is fallen, is fallen,*" carries a most awful *sixfold* prediction, demanding the most serious attention to perceive its real interpretation.

Jeremiah also says, "Babylon is *suddenly* fallen." *

* The walls surrounding *Babylon* were 318 feet high and 81 feet broad, where chariots travelled; but in one night Belshazzar fell, with all his con-

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The continual repetitions surely denote the accursed repetitions of the crimes of idolatry and unbelief of the gospel.

The same figure "*Sin, Sin, Sin.*"

"There are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old, ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.... wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathens [Romans] and they shall possess their houses; howl ye ministers of the altar."

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My correspondence for several years with his Majesty, his public officers, privy counsellors, and the clergy, would fill a volume; my predictions made in March and April, 1827, were realized exactly one hour before 5 April, 1829, the fatal day appointed for completing "*the Corn, Catholic, and Currency laws;*" it is almost incredible, but my original letters, if not destroyed, must be at Whitehall to confirm the prophecy!!

In my Appendix will also be found my *memorial*, and some correspondence with the Duke of Wellington, Mr. Peel, and the Primate of all England.

The world has, perhaps, yet to learn there is a *private justice hall*, at Whitehall, if private justice be compatible with our once glorious constitution and code!!!

As *public* justice and public laws cannot be *privately* administered, I feel it absolutely necessary to detail a curious dialogue, which took place at Whitehall, between me and Sir R. Birnie, viz.—On Monday, 11 May, 1829, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon, Mr. Henry Ayling, a

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cubines and nobles, during a grand feast, under the Medes and Persians, where now serpents and scorpions prevent human creatures from ever dwelling there again.

It will be observed that I have also spoken of many things as if present, which are about to come to pass, because they are built upon divine proclamations, and exist in my mind the same as if I beheld them. Without remembering this, the style will appear very singular and unintelligible, perhaps, to many.

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messenger, called upon me and asked if I wished to see Mr. *Phillips* (under secretary of state), in consequence of my having sent letters to government. I answered positively, "No, but I would wait upon Mr. Phillips if he wished to see me." Next day, before ten, Mr. Ayling called again, and said Mr. *Phillips* would be *glad* to see me at half-past two that day.

I went accordingly, and was politely shown into a room by Mr. Ayling, and remained alone 10 or 15 minutes in the *private justice* room, when a gentleman (personally unknown to me), Sir R. Birnie, entered and asked, in passing me, if my name was Burridge." I replied, "Yes, sir, at your service." "Oh," he said, "Mr. Burridge, we want to know what *claims* you have *against government?*"

I felt surprized, and answered that "I had no claims against government, and sought no fee or reward.

He still mentioned something about *claims*, when I said "It must be some mistake, sir, I never *made* the smallest claim whatever."

Sir R. B. then turned the matter and said, "You have written several letters to the Duke." "Oh yes, and have had several letters from Mr. Canning and the Duke, but the Duke has not answered them for some months past."

I then remarked, that it was years ago that I had first given notice of a great crisis, to the king and council, which crisis was close at hand, because 40 years had elapsed since the French Revolution, and that by the 3 chapter of Malachi, the nation was under a curse; that I knew no man who did not preach for money, and that *all* had rejected the gospel and made a rank *trade of it.*

Sir R. B. said, "*Have we all rejected it?*" I confirmed my opinion. He said, "They (meaning clergymen) must be supported." I replied, "Yes, I would give them ten times more than they give curates, and then bishops would get 1000*l.* a year."

I stated, "I felt it my duty to my God, king, and country to give notice, and that what I had done I would

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do at the risk of my life, and that there was not a more faithful subject in England."

I then alluded to the violation of the emancipation Act, at Newry, by the Roman bishops, and said, "No *human* law could stand, except built on the *divine* law," to which Sir R. B. seemed to assent silently.

I requested Sir R. B. to inform Mr. Peel every word I said, and that although Mr. Brothers had acted incoherently, in one point, he appeared nevertheless like the prophet *Jonas*, sent to London, nearly forty years ago.

Sir R. B. read a part of my letter respecting Mr. Brothers, which he said was false; viz. "*Mr. Brothers survived George III. fifteen years*," and said sharply "that is a lie, sir, the king has not been dead 15 years." I very calmly said, "I could explain, that mistake arose in reading or miswording the letter, but my *real meaning* was, that Brothers had survived George III. above 15 years, *in health and sense*, although George III. had only been dead *eight or nine* years, since 1820 or 1821.

He then said, "He was sorry to inform me, government and the solicitor-general were resolved not to pass my letters as they thought them *against the peace*." Here I exclaimed, "*What!*" in a tone of surprise; and he said, "If you continue writing, a prison or mad-house will be your fate, like Mr. Brothers." I very cooly replied, "You may persecute me, but I told you sir, in the *first* part of our conversation that I had sent the Chancellor of the Exchequer a letter on Saturday, 9 May, after reading *the Budget*, which I considered *final*, but that if I felt prompted to write any more I would send or come to him." After having acknowledged one letter, addressed "O king and council," verified by *John Cain*, I left *the privy justice room*, reflecting how *Cain* slew *Abel*, and why one of my letters should be selected from scores on the same affairs.

Sir R. Birnie left me alone in the room several times, the last time he rang a bell, when a man with a red waist-

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coat entered, and Sir R. B. said to him, "This person is in custody while I go up stairs." He, Sir R. B., returned in ten minutes and made me, in presence of John Cain, who wore a red waistcoat, acknowledge one letter. I said, "I am not come here to deny my hand-writing," and persisted in the same answer, without the least alarm at the *red* waistcoat!!

Sir Richard said, in the course of our conversation, "I wished Mr. Peel to see you. I told him you appeared to me a peaceable inoffensive man (or words to this effect), but he won't see you; it is a very disagreeable duty for me to perform."

"They won't believe there is any thing more than *human*, and it is useless to write; if the judgment be *divine* as you say, how can it be prevented?" I said, "I hoped he had told Mr. Peel *every word* I said, that I had only done my duty in giving notice now, as I had done years ago, and that I should not hurt a sparrow." He said, "You are under *the police*, and will be watched." "Oh, (smiling) that you may do sir, I never concealed my address, and had several letters from the Duke at Paradise Street, and the king has not a more faithful subject." I concluded by saying the matter had occasioned me great grief. Since this I have sent Mr. Peel several *Budgets*.

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Consider what God said to *one* he says to *all* men, "what I say to one I say to all, watch."

God spake to *the first-born man* (Cain the first murderer) in these plain positive words, viz.:—

"If thou doest *well* shalt thou not be accepted, and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door?"

Even after this promise and threat Cain slew his brother.

If ye believe *profane history*, why not believe *holy history?*

"The word of God is sharper than a double-edged sword, piercing men's hearts and thoughts," &c.

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Here is a plain proof that God's grace is free, and man born *free* (like *Cain*) *to choose* good or evil; if not, *how can man be justly punished for ever, if he commits no crime?* All men voluntarily commit crimes to acquire *property*, and apply it to indulge all *the desires of the flesh*, in direct opposition to their *consciences* (the spirit of God) till their hearts are *dead* to his call.

"Darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people." Christendom looks for deliverance from their respective princes, priests, or legislative bodies, or from vain, weak, popular unions, often shedding torrents of blood, in mad revolutions, rather than look above for deliverance from the hand of God.

The whole world is gone out of "*the way*" to heaven, and suffers *purgatory* upon earth. Earthquakes, famines, pestilence, &c. fail in turning our hearts to ask for Christ's mercy.

At this moment, Europeans look to legislative bodies as *the highest courts*, expecting deliverance by the *supreme* laws men pretend to make, whose *interests* remain the same to oppress the *poor* and divide the spoil.

The legislative bodies of Europe, Asia, Africa, and America, far from yielding Christian relief to the poor, do little or nothing more than vote what they did last year, viz. 50,000,000*l.* to be levied as usual, and whether from *profits* or *principals*, it must be collected.

The death of Lord Lyttleton, who seduced *the three Miss Amphlets*, and died at his mansion called, apropos, *Pitt Place*, near Epsom, 27 Nov. 1779, and the disappearance of a certain *Londoner*, in a *fiery* Italian mountain (if men may credit a captain and crew upon oath in a court of justice) are too memorable and too positive events to be scorned, except by people who *forget* God.

"If men believe not Moses and the prophets, neither will men believe though Christ rose from the dead."

The appearance of Christ to John Engelbrecht at Bruns-

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wick, in 1834, is regarded as *impossible* by all Christian professors!!!

Nearly 200 years have passed, during which *the man*, and *the God*, have been disbelieved. Oh remember "*all things are possible with God*," all unbelievers fall dead before his face. I have extracted John's Vision of "*The Three States*," and let scoffers beware how they reject *the hour of mercy*, because the *hour of justice* is come; sudden deaths happen daily to make sinners take warning, but they continue gluttons, drunkards, &c.

I belong to no party, no society, no class whatever, civil, political, nor ecclesiastical, but I was educated by high cathedral church ministers, whom I still respect.

I acknowledge *all the Bible*, now by many called *a new light*, in scorn and contempt, who say there is *a great unknown God*, careless of such a *little* world as man's.

"A prophet has no honour in his own country." I know what to expect. If men offer opinions, like Mr. Owen, people ask *credentials*; if one offers *the Bible*, it is declared to be any thing but the work of God, and that any man can write a better book!!! Mr. Owen's doctrine is one of the strange signs of the times. His utopian schemes have failed both in Scotland and America, as I publicly reminded him at the City of London Tavern, on 12 April, 1830.

If a man declare *visions*, *dreams*, &c. he is laughed at. If, like me, he offers the humble fruit of many years' search, acquired in a *natural* manner, it is also disregarded.

Nothing, be it *natural or supernatural*, pleases the world, at present, they seem quite happy and contented in the mad career or broad road to destruction!!! Read *profane* history, or travel in India to see widows burnt; look at Turks, Tartars, Hottentots, cannibals, slaves, &c. yet even all these *wretched tribes* appear *happier than Christendom*, for they *are born* in tradition and idolatry (while Europe rejects the Gospel), and consequently they have not to answer for rejecting Christ's salvation. How

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can they hear without preachers? How can they believe what they have not heard or seen?

I was nearly killed on 17 July, 1829, at Paris, near the Tuilleries, under a carriage; I was between the horses, but Providence snatched me from the jaws of death, as if expressly to finish this book.

"Now go write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: that this is a rebellious people that will not hear *the law* of the Lord: who say to the seers, See not, and to the prophets, Prophecy not right things but smooth things; prophecy deceits." *Isaiah* xxx. *All* laughed at Noah and his ark as they laugh now at God's threat to send *a deluge of Blood* to wash away sinners. Christ declares *not one word* of his shall fail. Listen while the door is open to escape *the divine "wrath to come."* The door will soon be closed for ever.

"A grievous vision is declared unto me." Prepare!!

The Lord is so merciful that now, as then, he raises messengers, like Noah, to proclaim his threats, in order to give all good time for repentance; but now, as then, few, very few, embrace the final warnings.

I assume no *extraordinary* inspiration; the scripture is the inspired word of God, and if I follow *the letter* and the *spirit*, it is at their peril *if priests, princes, and people* reject or scorn "the truth," for "*God is no respecter of persons.*"

If this book be *not* scriptural, it is easy to oppose it by scripture language; if scriptural, it is God's work, and all the world's opposition cannot arrest its course!!!

God has always chosen and condescended to speak through men to the world, and he still chooses the weak and foolish to confound the mighty and wise!!

"Why do the heathen so furiously rage together: why do the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together against the

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Lord. He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn." *Psalm* ii.

In our days *a miracle* has been accomplished by the publication of the gospel to *all nations;* but, alas! we do not see a single nation receive "*the tidings of great joy*" for their standard and government, consequently "transgressors are come to the full." The gospel is, certainly, a *dead letter* in all nations; and, therefore, is "a *witness against all nations,*" till Christ's spirit comes, as *conqueror,* over all his enemies, confounded (as thieves in the night) in a moment, by his *blaze of light.* The world waxes old, 5,834 or 5,948 years; the *eleventh* hour is past, and not a moment to be idle; the clock must strike again soon; there will be "a *midnight* cry," a *morning* star—"a Sun of Righteousness" shall arise and shine for ever.

Let Christians watch and pray for its glorious advent.

How many considered Napoleon's confederation or coalition of sovereigns was ordained to be the last "*mystery of iniquity;*" but Napoleon's league was dissolved, as the great globe itself shall be, in the twinkling of an eye, *at the last trump!!!*

A confederacy was next built at Vienna, on Napoleon's wreck, all in unity and concord with Rome, or "the destroyers of the *Gentile* church" in Christendom, which certainly never endured more general distress and perplexity, ecclesiastically, civilly, and politically, than in the present century. "The Holy Alliance," in the midst of perplexities, has reared a gigantic SPELL, which consists of "Ten kings who receive power, *one hour, with* the Beast, in the latter time of their kingdoms" (exactly according to Daniel's prophecy), and *seven blasphemous heads* (perhaps Sicily, Sardinia, Tuscany, Baden, Wurtemburg, Hungary, and Bavaria); but God knows well who and where they are. (See pages 62 and 117.)

"The glory of the *latter* house shall exceed the glory of the *former.*" If Jerusalem be rebuilt with marble, bricks, stones, and mortar, "here *we have no continuing city;*" it



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is therefore wiser to look for that promised "glorious house, whose builder is God," rather than cities and citizens where all are perishable!!!

The great *tree of sin* stands far higher than *Babel* did.

The infallible signs of Christ's coming to hew down the accursed tree are visible in the *universal confusion* reigning and spreading, like lightning, from east to west, from pole to pole.

What parsons, doctors, legislators, or physicians exercise their talents *gratis* from love and compassion on sick, expiring brothers and sisters?

The Christian religion went well till the church became *rich* and covetous, and fell into temptation. Infidelity stalks over Christendom, and the people profess *every* religion, or rather *none* at all.

How like grasshoppers or shrimps* do men often leap at random, except led by Christ the comforter, whom I desire faith to follow, at all times and at all places, looking to him to relieve my oppressed heart and soul from my great *ghostly and bodily enemies*, seeking whom they may devour, frequently filling me with burthens heavier than I could bear without divine aid.

"Why art thou so vexed and heavy, O my soul; why art thou so disquieted within me? O put thy trust more and more in God."

I covet nothing, boast nothing, but humbly invite all to *search the scriptures*. Surely I am *a Voice*, a feeble voice, which God can send and bless in all corners of the earth, for "the sea is his, and he made it, and his hands prepared the dry land. O come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our maker; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation .... Let us sing unto the Lord *a new song*, for he hath done marvellous things."

I have been allotted (as if expressly to accord with Daniel's prophecy) to run to and fro, for four years, in quest of truth. My knowledge is increased, as I humbly trust,

* Written on the eve of crossing *the British Channel*, 12th Nov. 1829.

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by One to whom all glory, praise, and thanks are due from all men for the knowledge of "what shall be *in the last end* of the indignation of God;" and, as a careful watch on the battlements, I give timely notice of the enemy's approach, who is even at the gates.

The high priests and the low priests, all too well paid to watch, have fallen into such *deep sleeps* of apostacy or selfishness, that we behold not one has *breath* to sound God's holy trumpet of alarm, viz. "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." The kingdom of heaven is at hand!!!

I care not if I be accused as a *madman*, or even as a traitor, knowing that I am neither, and that *God is able* to deliver me, as he did Daniel from the lion's den.

A gentleman was once arrested as a *traitor* by the Secretary of State, but Lord Chancellor Loughborough declared it was not treasonable to expound the Bible, but that *the expounder* might be a *lunatic;* consequently the first warrant was dropped, and a *private* jury found to condemn the expounder to a *private mad-house* during eleven years.

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Sunday Morn. 6 June, 1830.

There are the most awful imports attached to the number *forty days and years* throughout the Bible: the deluge descended 40 days; Moses fasted 40 days in the Mount, when he received the law; Christ fasted and was tempted 40 days by the devil, and ascended into heaven 40 days after his resurrection; Nineveh was threatened after *forty* days!! Moses led the Jews 40 years through the wilderness; Jerusalem was destroyed after 40 years' notice!!! 40 years have nearly expired since the French Revolution showered divine judgments and warnings over *Christendom,* hurled the proudest priests, monarchs, and monarchies into dust, shook every throne, and solemnly called upon all men "*to do unto others as they would be done unto.*"

An ark, which floats for ever, is thereby as plainly offered



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by the Saviour, Christ the Lord, to the whole world, as he once offered to *Noah*; but the world is stone blind, deaf, and dead to the *alarm*.

May we embrace the eternal ark and the *Cross, to-day*, for the loud roaring and raging waves of perdition may to-morrow overwhelm every unbeliever.

"When the day of *trouble* and heaviness cometh, others shall *weep* and be sorrowful, but thou [O Christian] shalt be *merry* and have abundance; the *heathen* shall envy thee, but shall be able to do nothing against thee, saith the Lord."

O readers, may we search and find this *comforter* in our hearts, and show it by our lives and conversation. "Our conversation is in heaven;" let us prepare, or we shall rue and repent for ever our "*neglect of so great salvation.*" "Escape for your life."

The sanctuary must be cleansed soon. After the year 1847 much is promised, in my humble opinion, but 1947 promises to be most glorious to all the world, *if the dates of Daniel's prophecies be correct;* that century promises, accordingly, to be the most glorious and blessed of all upon earth: there will be no murderers, no adulterers, no thieves, no misers, no gluttons, no drunkards, no warriors, no prisons, for God "*will write his laws in all their hearts.*" Now a million diseases and accidents render our lives most wretched, and place us in "*jeopardy every hour.*"

I cannot attempt to describe the beauties, pleasures, and perfection of *paradise restored.* There will be little or no need of doctors, lawyers, or parsons, for "they shall [*all*] be *priests* of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him one thousand years." *Rev.* xx.

In this blessed hope and prospect I feel a peace, which the world can neither give nor take away!!!

Now, reader, I hope you are prepared to explore the unfathomable mine of the Creator, Saviour, and Governor of all things, and to follow the divine plough with a contrite, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart.

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# The Budget of Truth.

## CHAPTER I.

*The Symptoms of the Times.— Signs in the* SUN, MOON, *&c.— List of Earthquakes confirming the Gospel.—Christ's Prophecy of Universal War.*

ALL the solemn preparatory warning signs, in *heaven* and *earth** already appear, upon serious search of the Bible, quite accomplished, announcing "*the* NEW JERUSALEM coming down from heaven," according to the revelations of the Lord and Master, Christ; who declares, that "when *Christians* see all these *signs above and events below,* then they shall know that a blessed UNIVERSAL RESTORATION of paradise is near, even at the doors."†

* On 20 Sept. 1829, at Villanueva del Campo, in Spain, at half-past four o'clock, afternoon, and after a serene atmosphere, the sun was suddenly obscured by a white cloud, and soon afterwards two concentric circles were seen round the sun, and exhibited all the rainbow colours.

Six minutes afterwards the circles disappeared. A cold came on in the evening like January; the vines were frozen, and the leaves and stems appeared burnt the next day." Ex *Spanish Papers.*

A most beautiful *Cross,* resembling the colour of the *rainbow,* was lately seen by a whole congregation in France, and appears to have been verified by clergymen expressly appointed to examine the matter, if credence be due to *Monthly Magazines.*

On Saturday evening, 27 March, 1830, I observed *two moons* together, and gazed several times before I ventured to notice the matter to several gentlemen, who did not condescend to stop, but passed on, and doubtless suspected I was a lunatic or a pickpocket. Afterwards I prevailed on two men and a boy to look steadily at it. At first one or two did not see it; but, on gazing more steadily, they all agreed with me that there were two new moons, half divided asunder, apparently to human sight, about one inch apart.

On Sunday evening several friends saw the same, upon my calling their attention: it portends more than mortals can conceive at hand. The April new moon also bore a similar appearance. In the Appendix another far greater novel sign in the moon is described, which occurred between York and Leeds 20 Aug. 1829, and appears verified by a clergyman.

† "I saw a *new heaven and a new earth,* and new Jerusalem [the Spirit of God] coming down from heaven. I saw *no temple* therein, for the Lord God and the Lamb [Christ] are the temple of it." *Rev.* xxi

"I beheld the thrones of the four beasts [Europe, Asia, Africa, and *South America*] thrown down, and the judgment did sit." *Dan.*



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Nothing less than Almighty God can accomplish such miracles.

God has manifested about 4174 years' mercy over the world and *all his works,* since the *Deluge;* but the world obstinately remains full of unbelievers and hypocrites.

Let us search the scriptures, as Christ commands, and pray for *the gift* of the Holy Spirit to understand them, and lead us into ALL truth and comfort.

There is far less *hope* left now than when Noah entered the ark, if we do not hearken and obey the proclamations of God, like the Ninevites, in true repentance.

The world is, however, in the *deep sleep* of sin, in spite of all the awful signs surrounding us, in which it will surely be caught as a *snare:* the snare is satan, who changes colour like cameleons. Devils are transformed into angels, and can assume all shapes.

He is no longer BLACK, but YELLOW; he has spread *golden traps* every where; the whole world is in full chase of GOLD, setting their hearts upon it, above all things, vainly dreaming that GOLD commands every thing else.

The few who overtake the golden idol find it does not exempt them one day from *disease* and death!!! Many die daily in the chase; others find gold takes wings.

The population of the world is generally supposed to be,

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| Christians or Professors - - | 95,000,000 |
| Jews (some say seven millions) - | 2,500,000 |
| Pagans - - - - | 482,500,000 |
| Roman Catholics - - - | 80,000,000 |
| Mahometans - - - | 140,000,000 |
| | 800,000,000* |
| Christian Professors - - - | 95,000,000 |
| Unbelievers and Idolators - - | 705,000,000 |

The devil reigns nearly over the whole earth; no man is able to *dethrone* him.

Here we find a melancholy matter, that not one eighth

* Some authors report there are 1000 millions.

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of the inhabitants of the world acknowledge the gospel *purely*. No Christians desire the world to continue in such deep sin and unbelief; but all Christians rejoice to know, that the *devil* is to be cast out of the earth by Christ, who is descending, as the *Conqueror*, to liberate the world; his angels will consume all traitors and rebels, and none can escape, except in the *Ark of faith !!!*

This great proclamation is the great mystery concealed from *high and low priests*, although expressly revealed to the humble and meek.

The world is led to expect no more prophets or judgments till *the end of the world*. This book is simply intended to illustrate that THE MILLENIUM is at hand, and HOW God has declared he will accomplish it, even by *a universal deluge of death* to all sinners, except, perhaps, a *second Adam and Eve*. The number of *the elect* (believers) to be saved is not revealed in Scripture, and it is not intended to advance one word contrary to the doctrine the Bible contains.

Let scoffers read the last chapter of the last prophet, Malachi, and let all ponder upon the following text: "Ye are cursed with a curse even this whole nation, for ye have robbed God of tithes," &c.—"There shall be fearful sights and signs in the sun, moon, and stars, and distress of nations."

"For some days there has been a cluster of spots on the sun, so unusually large as to be visible to the naked eye, if guarded by a very dark-coloured glass, or during a fog. These *solar spots* can now be distinctly seen on the western side, rather above the centre. Through a good magnifying telescope, above forty spots may be counted: the largest opening appears to have a division of luminous clouds across it. Through any telescope of modern power, with a dark or smoked glass, the spots appear *interesting*, and may be visible for four or five days; there are two smaller clusters entering, and one departing." *

* Star, 22 Dec. 1829.



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There was an *extraordinary vision* of the moon, reported by the York Herald, to have been seen by several men, about midnight, 20 August, 1829, near York. I cannot undertake to answer for the truth or falsehood of this report, of which I never heard a word till I accidentally purchased in the street, 17 December, 1829, an almanack, by *Maria Von Hylder.*

I am well aware numberless lies appear in newspapers, and *how corrupted* the press is. Nevertheless, I cannot resist the impulse to name this report, hoping the inhabitants of York will contradict the matter, or deem it absolutely worthy of serious examination and reflection.

God says, "I will show signs and wonders in the sun, and in the moon, and in the earth DISTRESS OF NATIONS."

Now, if this vision actually happened, nobody can deny that it exactly accords with repeated prophecies.

The world now, as formerly, expects a UNIVERSAL *sign* or wonder, like the Jews, who desired Christ to work a MIRACLE, visible to the eyes of ALL FLESH; but God has never PROMISED this, consequently, there is no reason to expect God will depart from his usual ways, "as high above man's ways as the heavens are above the earth."

When Christ was born, angels singing "*Glory to God, on earth peace, and good will to men,*" appeared to some few *poor shepherds, by night,* who were led to the stable, and saw Christ in the manger: the wise men, led by the star in the east, also saw *Christ,* but warned in a dream from God, returned not to tell Herod; yet the Jews blasphemed it, and found Christ a stumbling block. Christ selected *twelve* disciples as special witnesses and messengers, who declare, "*all scripture* written for our *learning.*" Thus, God selects POOR witnesses to confound the rich; the humble and weak to confound the proud and mighty.

The signs over all CHRISTENDOM are utterly scorned; the division of the moon is deemed too preposterous to en-

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gage attention, notwithstanding God says, "Behold I work a work in your days which ye will not believe, though a man declare it unto you."—A Scotch paper states, that "Mr. Edward Caird of Arbroath, has publicly announced that the millenium is to take place on 29 February, 1832, about five o'clock in the evening."

It is certainly *blasphemous* to predict the *day and hour.*

The world is so sunk in unbelief, that if kings, cabinets, princes, or parsons, declared they saw spotted suns, double moons, or stars divided, the people would laugh, and consider them *dreamers or madmen,* unworthy and unable to rule or reign.

Therefore, "THE DEAD LEVEL" is at hand, for God declares, "his *spirit shall not always strive with man;*" when his spirit departs, the *evil* spirit arrives, and lets loose all the hellhounds, so that *every man shall dread another,* and many shall die blaspheming God, under *the last seven plagues,* instead of repenting.

The Courier at Paris states, "nothing has been talked of for some days but a plot at Rome against the life of the pope and cardinals. According to the society of Ignatius, a wish exists at Rome to act the gunpowder plot of England, and launch the pope and cardinals into eternity, by the *Carbonari, many of whom have been arrested.*"

Navarino was suddenly destroyed, 18 November, 1829; Gibraltar has been threatened; Holland and Germany inundated: but man continues treason against his Almighty Sovereign, in spite of all his love and merciful warnings; wherefore, God's decrees are at hand to send his four sore judgments to cut off man and beast, the same as at the deluge.

Is it not more merciful to punish man upon earth *temporally,* than *eternally?*

It is not revealed what became of the souls who sunk in the deluge, for it is a mystery above human sagacity; nor can any man know how God may dispose of the millions of souls who expire under his wrath or next tribulation.



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## EARTHQUAKES.

"Behold, famine, plague, and tribulation are sent *as scourges for amendment*." Esdras xvi.

"There was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth; so mighty an earthquake, and so great."—"Every island fled away." *Rev.* xvi. 18.

There appear no records of any earthquakes before Christ's death (except Korah, Dathan, and Abiram's *; Jericho's walls; and one in Asia, which overturned twelve cities, A. D. 17.), who said, "There shall be *Earthquakes*, famine, and pestilence, in divers places, and these are the beginning of sorrows."

Christ, who refused a sign to the Jews (except that of the prophet Jonas), has stamped his divine power, by the most extraordinary and terrible earthquakes, which have continually happened, since his resurrection, upon heathens and heretics, to punish misers and idolators, who reject the gospel.

Earthquakes are awful signs over all the world, speaking, and serving to show that Christ is God, and God is Christ; confirming the gospel so clearly, that it is madness to doubt one word that Christ has uttered: yet Christendom is fallen asleep, more heedless of all his threats and promises than *the Jews*, for they profess still to expect *Christ*.

I have extracted, from chronological history, accounts of the principal, the earliest, and latest earthquakes, because they prove that Christ holds all power in heaven and earth, and will surely perform all his promises and threats, though utterly unheeded, scorned, and derided, or misunderstood, and unbelieved.

* "If these men, Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, and their congregation, die the common death of all men, the Lord hath not sent me; but if the Lord make a *new thing*, and the earth open her mouth and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit, then ye shall understand that they have provoked the Lord.—The earth clave asunder, and opened her mouth and swallowed them all up, their houses and all their goods; they went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them, and they perished.—All Israel fled at their cry, saying, Lest the earth swallow us up also." *Numbers*, xvi.

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Aleppo was destroyed a few years ago by earthquake, when, most providentially, all the Christians escaped, for the heathens and heretics forbade Christians to assemble in the city to worship God; and had they neglected his worship, they would not have escaped, but they assembled a few miles from Aleppo, and while out of it, the hand of God swallowed the citizens up alive, like *Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.*

Earthquakes are judgments executed upon the wicked, to warn survivors to repent and believe in Christ, who appeared to Joshua before the walls of Jericho fell. Korah, Dathan, and Abiram's fate was marked also by the express curse of God; these two first earthquakes prove that Christ still executes his miraculous power against sinners, by every earthquake throughout the world, to arouse it to flee for his promised mercy; but the survivors take not the most awful warnings, but continue in all the sinful lusts of the flesh.

Nothing can root out sin but universal depopulation (similar to the deluge), for sin reigns in the hearts of all men, and nothing but death can end its reign.

"A mighty angel took up a stone, like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, thus with violence shall that great city *Babylon** [or CHRISTENDOM] be thrown down, and found no more." *Rev.* xviii. 21.

"I will make Jerusalem* [the gospel] a *burthensome stone* for all people: all that burthen themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all nations be gathered against it." *Zec.*

There was a great earthquake at the crucifixion; and another when *Paul* was in prison.

The threats expressed in the *Rev.* xvi. and xviii. are so tremendous, that if England utterly sinks in the sea, (like a great millstone), her sins will deserve her fate. Alas!

* These main points will be expounded in the chapters concerning GREAT BABYLON and JERUSALEM.



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The gospel has been continually confirmed by great EARTHQUAKES SINCE CHRIST, viz.:—

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| Herculaneum, &c. destroyed, with 250,000 souls | 79 |
| Antioch | 115. 458. 1150 |
| Nicomedia, &c. | 120 |
| In Macedonia, 150 cities | 257 |
| Jerusalem and Constantinople | 363 |
| Italy | 369 |
| Nice | 370 |
| A general earthquake | 377 |
| In Europe, from September to November | 394 |
| In Palestine | 419 |
| Constantinople | 434 |
| Constantinople, during 40 days | 480 |
| Constantinople and Rome | 557 |
| Six hundred cities destroyed | 742 |
| Palestine and Syria | 746 |
| Mecca | 867 |
| Rome and Constantinople | 986 |
| Derby and Worcester | 1043 |
| England felt several shocks, followed by a scarcity | 1090 |
| Goodwin Sands overflowed | 1100 |
| Shropshire | 1110 |
| Lincoln | 1142 |
| Damascus | 1150 |
| At Oxenhall, near Darlington, the earth rose and sank with a horrid noise, leaving a chasm | 1179 |
| In Hungary | 1179 |
| Calabria sunk in the sea | 1186 |
| Somersetshire | 1199. 1249. 1745 |
| Glastonbury, &c. | 1247 |
| St. Albans | 1250 |
| The greatest in England, 14 Nov. | 1318 |
| A dreadful one in Germany | 1346 |
| Naples, 40,000 souls perished | 1456 |
| Italy | 1510 |
| Lisbon, Oporto, &c. | 1531. 1755. 1791 |
| Ryegate and Dorking | 1551 |

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| China | 1556. 1697. 1718 |
| Marcley Hill moved near Hereford, and continued nearly two days in motion | 1571 |
| Yorkshire, and several counties | 1574 |
| London and Westminster, when part of St. Paul's, and the Temple fell, &c. | 1580 |
| Sandwich Harbour | 1580 |
| Peru | 1581. 1582. 1755 |
| In Dorsetshire, 13 Jan. | 1583 |
| A field of three acres passed over another at Blackmoor, and settled in the high road to Hearn | 1583 |
| Bohemia, Moravia, &c. | 1590 |
| Japan | 1596 |
| In Kent | 1596 |
| At Peru | 1600 |
| Euphœmia | 1639 |
| A hill at Bulkeley, near Chester, fell down | 1657 |
| In Norway | 1657 |
| In France | 1660 |
| Oxford | 1683 |
| Smyrna | 1688. 1730. 1778 |
| Lyme, in Dorset, with three ebbs and flood tides | 1689 |
| Port Royal, in Jamaica | 1692 |
| Messina | 1693 |
| Teneriffe Island | 1704 |
| Palermo | 1726 |
| Naples | 1731 |
| Aveline | 1732 |
| Arundel, &c. | 1734 |
| Leghorn | 1742 |
| Lima * | 1746. 1828 |
| Liverpool and Manchester | 1750 |
| Phillipoli and London | 1750 |

* The earthquake at Lima, 30 March 1828, was witnessed by an officer of H. M. S. Volage, at anchor, who says, "*the sea hissed*, and fish floated dead; one chain cable was affected, and condemned at Portsmouth, the other was not. Four priests were killed; one while kneeling before an image at church. The sailors saw the steeple rock and fall, and cried, 'THERE GOES THE TOWN.'" — *Ex Sailor's Magazine, April*, 1830.

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| Adrianople | 1752 |
| Grand Cairo | 1754 |
| A general earthquake 5000 miles, half of Madeira destroyed, and the Bristol hotwells turned red as blood, 1 Nov. | 1755 |
| Meteline Isle | 1755 |
| Bourdeaux | 1758 |
| Tripoli | 1759 |
| Truxilla | 1759 |
| Balbec and Damas | 1759 |
| Ireland | 1773 |
| Smyrna | 1778 |
| Oriano | 1782 |
| Messina | 1783. 1784 |
| Patrasse | 1785 |
| Scotland | 1786 |
| At Brixton, in Norfolk, the ground sank 30 feet | 1788 |
| St. Lucia | 1788 |
| Nova Castello | 1789 |
| Scotland | 1791 |
| Cuba | 1791 |
| Zante and Lisbon | 1791 |
| Bedford and Lincolnshire | 1792 |
| The lake of Harantoreen, in Kerry, Ireland, a mile in circuit, sunk 25 March | 1792 |
| Salisbury and Shaftesbury | 1793 |
| The ground at Fawnhope, near Hereford, removed to the extent of four acres, 4 April | 1793 |
| The bog of Castleguard in Louth, Ireland, moved some miles, and crossed the road to Doon, and threw down some houses, 20 December | 1793 |
| Caissar, in Turkey | 1794 |
| Vesuvius (almost continually) | 1794 |
| North of Scotland | 1795 |
| Woggis (near Lucerne) | 1795 |
| Attaquea, in Syria | 1796 |
| Smyrna | 1796 |
| South America | 1797 |

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| Sumatra | 1797 |
| Sienna | 1798 |
| Constantinople | 1800 |
| Adrianople, &c. | 1802 |
| Holland | 1804 |
| Portsmouth, a shock | 1811 |
| St. Michaels (a new island rose) | 1811 |
| Volcanic eruption at St. Vincent's | 1812 |
| Lyons | 1814 |
| Aleppo | 1826 |
| In Murcia, in Spain, several towns fell | 1829 |

Several islands have appeared and disappeared in various parts, and St. Helena is considered as the effect of earthquakes or volcanic eruptions.*

"Nevertheless, the *Lord's mercies are over all his works.*"

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I felt so anxious to unburthen my conscience of the intolerable load laid on my shoulders, that I once explained the nature of it to a clergyman, viz.: "*There shall be a time of Tribulation, such as was not since the*

* "*Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and traditions.*"
It is amazing to trace the progress of philosophy let loose in imaginary speculations, viz.:
"A very moderate degree of heat may bring the *air* into a condition capable of producing *earthquakes;* for the air, at the depth of 43,528 fathoms below the earth's surface, becomes as heavy as quicksilver. This is a very slight depth, compared to the earth's centre, where the AIR must be infinitely heavier than mercury, gold, or any known article," &c.—*History of the Earth.*
*Query.*—How did they discover all this? How do such creatures account for the appearance and disappearance of various islands in various parts? How do they account for *whirlpools* and *whirlwinds?* There is much less truth than lies printed.
"It does not follow that the *Grampian hills* were raised at one time or thrust; ages may have passed between their protrusions, and each may have mounted to its present elevation by successive lifts!!! It is not impossible they may be rising still. Perhaps the earthquakes, felt annually at Comrie, may be the expiring force that first made the Grampian hills ascend from the bottom of the ocean. The Andes, &c. may have risen long since our Scotch hills, and caused new and transitory inundations, &c.!!!"—*Age of Mountains, ex Morning Journal,* 21 *Jan.* 1830.
How enlightened is the nineteenth century, by such precious nonsense!

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*beginning of the world;*" consequently, greater than the deluge, according to *Matthew* xxiv. He told me he *disbelieved* it, because "*God was a God of mercy;*" he asked me what was to become of all the SOULS, if destroyed, as I described?

I replied, that was a question which concerned me as little as what became of all the souls at the *Deluge*, but that the decree was irreversible, even by "God *who* cannot deny himself."

I also said, without God's great mercy, I thought London would have fallen, like old *Babylon*, forty years since, at a period when God gave special notice to all Christendom to turn and repent. As God's *mercy* did not prevent his *justice* at the deluge, so his boundless *mercies* prevent not now his punishing all mankind again!!!

The rainbow tokens God will not destroy man again BY WATER; and under this assurance, the world sleeps in security, forgetting that God can destroy the world in *millions* of manners, if he ordains such.

The histories of earthquakes, plagues, and famine, ought to convince heathen hearts, whose tongues burst with blasphemy; yet, for every idle word, every man shall give an account, or be struck speechless at the last day, like him who had no Christian garment.

These reflections have led me to retrace the various accounts of *earthquakes*, and the conclusion proves them the express hand of *Almighty* God; but the inhabitants' hearts are so hardened against Christ, and all his works, that survivors have frequently rebuilt cities *near the same spots* (thrice destroyed like Antioch and Lisbon), repeating crimes against God and man, in spite of such awful lots sent to deter survivors from sin.*

To me it appears perfect *cruelty* to let the world run headlong into perdition any longer, in the way it gallops.

* If earthquakes be, according to modern *philosophers*, engendered accidentally in the bowels of the earth, by mixtures of air and heat fluctuating everywhere, how is it that earthquakes have never swallowed up CHRISTIAN as well as *heathen* cities? Surely, the *Almighty* King's hand is visible in majestic anger and love, vengeance and protection!!!

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Is it not better to be corrected here than punished for ever? Who can search out *all* the Almighty's councils?

"All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven, except blasphemy against the Holy Ghost (if we repent and believe); but blasphemy against the Holy Ghost (a denial of God's holy spirit) shall never be forgiven, neither in this world nor in the world to come."

Christ sealed up certain parts of his revelations till *the end of the Indignation of the Lord*, or till a certain hour, till which hour all *human* efforts have proved abortive to penetrate "the *mysteries* of God."

So surely as the visions and revelations have been sealed, *the hour* must come for them to be *unsealed*.

If that blessed *hour* be arrived, all the world cannot arrest the *Almighty's* hand, whose decrees stand for ever.

I repeat, if that blessed *hour* be at last arrived, it is of little consequence what humble creature God selects for the purpose, which Christ's church has anticipated for nearly 1800 years.

The hour is certainly arrived to *unseal* ONE POINT, at least, which has remained sealed to all human eyes. One point, or one decree, which is, however, one of the most important to *Christendom*, in particular, and the world at large, for it is far more terrible than any divine judgments that have frequently afflicted disobedient sinners, and idolatrous nations.

The whole world must suffer *Tribulation* far greater than the *Deluge*. Christ's proclamation of it is as plain as the sun or moon, yet it has remained sealed up from the *high and low Gentile Church*, the same as Christ's FIRST advent was sealed from the *Jewish* high priests, &c., although it was equally revealed by *the prophets*, as the following decree has been by CHRIST himself, viz.:—

"There shall be *a time of Tribulation*, such as was not since *the beginning of the world* to this time; no, nor ever shall be, and except those days should be *shortened*, there

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should no flesh be saved; but, for the elects' sake, those days shall be *shortened.*" *Matt.* xxiv.

This proclamation was made about 2370 years *after the deluge,* and after *all flesh* perished, except eight persons.

The highest human authorities have attributed this prophecy to the siege and destruction of *Jerusalem,* which was dreadful enough; but it is nonsense, for the *French Revolution* was much worse.

After three years search, full of indescribable hopes, sad doubts, and fears (enough to break 10,000 hearts!), I discovered this alarming truth, *on Sunday,* 11 *Oct.* 1829 *, in France, and resolved to publish it in London, as soon as possible. Various unavoidable delays have intervened, and impeded my progress.

I arrived in London, 24 Nov. 1829, after experiencing a beautiful *mill-pond* voyage across the channel, much finer than any during the summer; while out of sight of land, a weary *sky-lark* flew around the steam packet, once or twice touching the sea, ready to sink, before she pitched on the packet, where a gentleman caught her, and, at my request, carried her safe to Southampton.

I considered this event a favourable *omen,* and compared myself to the poor sky-lark, and silently prayed to God to save me like the weary bird, for, at the same time, was I a wanderer, equally needing providential care; and I have found Providence watching all my footsteps to *comfortable resting* places, during sharp trials, under which I have learnt to avoid murmuring, feeling quite convinced, that "not a *poor sparrow* falls on land or *sea* without God's permission." †

* Without God's grace, I might have searched all my life in vain, for the truth.

† Like David Simpson, of Macclesfield, I found consolation in the bitterest moments. I cast myself upon the bosom of a gracious Providence, who has provided for me all my life long. I have never wanted any manner of good thing *necessary to my comfort* —

"Though I often know not what to do, or whither to go,
The world is all before me, where to choose
My place of rest, and Providence my guide."

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Under forty years of age, the loss of family and fortune is enough to make a man serious; and I can conscientiously look back on the loss of a princely fortune without one moment's *envy* or sorrow, having set my *unworthy* hand to the plough.

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1. Let the church *voluntarily* restore half its revenues to the poor, if they wish to escape death or damnation.
2. Let *the Lord's day* be kept holy, and every blasphemer punished.
3. Let all public houses and shops be closed entirely every Sunday, except *family hotels*.
4. Prohibit stage coaches on Sundays, as formerly.
5. Prohibit *Sunday* newspapers.
6. Allot the remains of the waste lands among the poor, as nearly 7,000,000 acres have been allotted to the rich.
7. Avoid all cabinet councils on the Lord's day, for he cannot assist such councils, who said, "six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do."

I have sent the above admonition to the legislative bodies, and God's *bill* is worthy of *acceptance* by all people!!!

God condescends to give man continual signs and warnings of his threats and promises.

This world has never been 2000 years without a new dispensation, and the most glorious of all is at hand. The deluge happened 1656 years after the creation.

God gives now the last special merciful signs and wonders, before his anger falls, if man continues to reject the gospel.

Now the legislative bodies have abolished all hopes of discovering the longitude, according to Newton's* accursed *solar system*, God raises messengers and servants to re-establish the Egyptian system of Ptolomy, viz. that the sun revolves round the earth daily, and not the earth round

* "If we, or an angel from heaven, bring any doctrine but Christ's, *let him be accursed.*"

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the sun, as Newton asserts it does, 150 times swifter than gunpowder sends shots. Newton is quite at variance with the Bible.

"*The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.*"

Captain Woodley, R. N., and John Finleyson, Esq. have just published two books, titled "*The Universe as it is,*" which reverse Newton and Copernicus altogether, by most incontestible proofs; and, as if to stamp it with divine approbation, the Bible system of astronomy now projected, promises to unfold the *Longitude* as correctly as the *latitude* has been by navigators!!

For this reason only, and for the gospel truth's sake, I refer to the appendix, containing most acceptable and important extracts, and heartily hope they will soon reach the four corners of the earth, like lightning.

The high *learned* classes seem too attached to old prejudices, honouring Newton above God; but as the work is divine, it must soon spread from east to west, from pole to pole. God's finger shall convince this world of sinners (after the next earthquake) that the earth is, as he first placed it, immoveable, till it is shaken the third and last time, at the last trump, or signal of the earth's final destruction and day of judgment!!!

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## CHAPTER II.

*A Chain Chapter of the Bible compressed.— The New Jerusalem is not the Old Jerusalem City alone.— The Restoration of* THE JEWS *is the Restoration of the Gospel.*

"MAKE a chain—here a little, there a little—precept upon precept, line upon line.—Here we have no continuing city." *Bible.*

The 12 and 14 chapters of Zechariah's prophecy serve, if examined well, to remove the universal doubts concerning the restoration of Jerusalem. No chapters are more important than these. God's *promises* are glorious; and his *threats* certainly terrible and mysterious.

"I will make *Jerusalem* [priests, *lay impropriators*, pocketing ten millions sterling annually, tithes, &c.] a BURTHENSOME STONE for *all* people; *all* that *burthen* themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though *all* people be gathered against it."* *Zec.* xii.

* *Jerusalem*, *Israel*, and *Zion*, are most beautiful ALLEGORIES, illustrating the *gospel*, *Christ's church*, and *people* of God.

The overthrow of old Jerusalem, was the overthrow of the Jewish church, by reason of *unbelief*; most clearly, according to Christ's prediction, after forty years' express notice.

The same unbelief reigns now in Christendom. God said, thousands of years ago, "Behold, I will REBUILD Jerusalem; I will make *all things* new:" in direct allusion to the present fullness of the Gentiles (because both Jews and Gentiles destroy Jerusalem), for *all things* have not been yet made *new*, nor has Jerusalem been yet rebuilt, but the hour is at hand, and God is the builder.

The allegories do not signify the mere rebuilding of *one* city on the same spot, nor any particular spot, but they denote the glorious rebuilding of Christ's church, *from* EAST to WEST, and pole to pole, after the Gentiles' reign of 1830 years.

Some expect Jerusalem alone to be rebuilt by the *present* generation, as if building a city could afford *universal* Christian peace, truth, and justice.

I wish the blessed hour arrived, and long to see it, but can see no *quick* symptoms of building, till God has cleared away the RUBBISH, and hewn down *every tree* (every man) bringing forth evil fruit — why cumber such the ground?

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Christ says, "Come, for *my yoke is easy, and my burden light;*" but priests and people make it oppressive as *millstones*, and therefore must be cut in pieces soon.

"I will gather *all* nations *against* (Christ) Jerusalem to *battle;* the city shall be taken; the houses rifled, and women ravished." *Zec.* xiv.

"Then the Lord shall be king over all the earth." Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited; the streets full of boys and girls, playing; and every man with his staff in his hand, for very age. Jerusalem shall be called "*a city of truth,* the holy mountain," &c. *Zec.* viii.

This is the *first resurrection* (if people resemble Adam and Eve); over such the *second* death hath no power. *Rev.*

*It is written, "the people that shall be born* shall praise the Lord." *Psalms.*

*It is not written* that the apostles, martyrs, and believers' *souls* are to return to dwell in their *bodies* again upon *earth,* for they are blessed; and, even *paradise on earth,* is unworthy to contain them.

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There are *mountains* of rubbish and dirt which none but Christ can remove, and no human power.

The builder of all things is God; he makes *all things new.*

God rebuilds his gospel in spite of Jews, Gentiles, Turks, and devils; and hell shall not prevail (as it does now) against it, generally.

The restoration of Jerusalem is a glorious restoration of the gospel; at best, Christendom contains *hearers,* not *doers,* of the law and gospel, among Jews and Gentiles.

It is the greatest delusion to expect THE JEWS to be restored, AS JEWS, at Jerusalem only, since the invitation stands before all men; and all are guilty and worthy of death who do not to day hear the charmer's voice.

This delusion has been planted so long, and is so deeply rooted, possessing such gigantic growth, like the immense tree Nebuchadnezzar beheld (shadowing the whole earth with unbelief and traditions), that none but the WATCHER, Christ, can hew down the tree. Angels themselves cannot do the work.

THE BEASTS of the earth, &c. meaning monstrous men, must have notice, or rather time, allowed to get away from its *devilish* shelter; and (in God's name) I repeat the holy warning, peradventure to save *one lost sheep,* and cover my multitude of sins.

The heathens, of all classes, are nevertheless doomed to fall with the tree, redoubling their blasphemies by despising God's proclamation, to escape by the ladder Christ has raised, reaching from earth to heaven.

This point is so essential, and the doctrine will be considered so novel, that we must resume it before we conclude, by giving an exposition of the revelation, relative to "*Babylon the Great,*" which sets this momentous question at rest, after having bewildered us nearly 1830 years.

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Christ or Jerusalem (the church) is a BURTHENSOME STONE; and all people who make it so, must take the consequences: it will grind sinners to powder. This day is this prophecy fulfilled. *Jerusalem*, used figuratively, thus speaks volumes.

When *old* Jerusalem was destroyed, it was destroyed by one nation, and people thought the *end of the world* drew near then, although these prophecies stood unfulfilled, especially the following curses against all who fight against Jerusalem or *Christ*.*

"Their flesh shall consume away *while they stand upon their feet*."—"Their eyes shall consume away in their holes."—"Their tongues shall consume away in their mouths." *Zec.* xiv.

"These dreadful prophecies are at hand, shot like arrows from God's hand; and who can turn them back?"

"The word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword! Woe to a nation scattered and peeled!" *Isaiah.*

"Remove the diadems; take off the crowns: I will overturn—overturn—overturn it, until he [Christ] come whose right it is." *Ezek.* xxi.

"Jerusalem shall be *rebuilt in her own place;*" yea, and amen: but "her *own place*" does not mean one or the same spot, but *all the earth*, when the devil is cast out of it during the seventh thousand years.

"I saw the *new Jerusalem coming* down from heaven."

"I saw no *temple* therein, for the Lord God himself is the temple thereof." *Rev.* xxi.

"The sword; the sword is drawn: thus saith the Lord God, none of my words shall be prolonged any more, but the *word* I have spoken shall be done, O rebellious house!" *Ezek.* xii.—"Ten kings shall speak lies at *the same table*." Dan.

* Such traitors and rebels who make Christ's EASY YOKE a *burthensome stone*, will be much worse than the "LIVING SKELETON," lately notoriously exhibited in London, for he boasted of good health and appetite when I saw him at Havre in 1828. What a *nude* spectacle our London BELLES crowded to see without being ashamed!!



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"The crowned [with mitres] are locusts; thy captains great grasshoppers." *Nahum* iii.—"Judgment must begin at the house of God."

"When I fed them to the full, they committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses; every one neighed after his neighbour's wife." *Isaiah.*

"Fill up the measure of iniquity, O ye oppressors!"

"Go, ye rich men, weep and howl." *St. James* v.

"They who take swords shall perish by swords." *Christ.*

"Except the Lord keep the city, watchmen wake in vain."

"I have set watchmen on thy walls, *O Jerusalem*, who shall *never* hold their peace day nor night."* *Isaiah.*

"Make mention of the Lord; keep not silence; give him no rest till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem [*Christ*] a praise in the earth. Behold, I, God, make a *new thing*." Isaiah lxii.

"The Lord hath *purposed* it to bring into contempt *all* the *honourable* of the earth." *Isaiah* xxiii.

"Princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves."

"The Lord shall punish the host of the high ones, and the kings of the earth upon the earth." *Isaiah* xxiv.

"I will punish the world. He who blasphemeth the name of the Lord, shall surely be put to death." *Moses.*

"All things must be fulfilled which are written in the law, the prophets, and psalms." *Christ.*

"Let death come hastily upon unbelievers, and let them go down quick into hell." *Psalm* lv.

"Ye oppress the poor, and he doth *not* resist."

"How can men *believe* who seek honours?"

"Let Satan stand at his right hand [viz. close to every traitor against *Christ*].

"Let his prayer be turned into sin.

"Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.

* This cannot mean *old* Jerusalem, for there the hour of worship is past; but the *new Jerusalem*, or gospel, which has never been without proclaimants, and never will be, both in heaven and earth.

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" Let extortioners consume all that he hath.

" Let his children be vagabonds, and beg their bread.

" Let there be no man to pity him." *Psalm* cix. *

" Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness. All flesh is grass." *Isaiah* v.

" Behold, I set before you, good and evil, choose; life or death, choose."

" A horrible thing is committed in the land. Priests have polluted the sanctuary." *Isaiah* v.

" Speak ye every man the truth. Execute judgment, truth, and peace. Love no false oath."

" I will bring them [enemies] down like lambs to the slaughter."

" The mighty men have forborne to fight: they became like women."

" They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets; they that were brought up in *scarlet*, embrace dunghills†: as she hath done, do unto her."

" Princes are roaring lions: judges are wolves."

" Every man is brutish by his knowledge." *Jer.* x.

" Do not your alms before men." *Christ.*

" Be faithful, even unto death, and I will give thee a crown of glory." *Rev.*

" Woe unto me, if I preach not the gospel."

" The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof."

" Ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

" He [Christ] is *the appointed heir of all things.*"

* All these judgments fall upon all *traitors* against Jerusalem or *Christ*, as it is expressly prophecied there shall be *traitors in the latter days*; but it does not mean treason against kings: there has not been a single traitor for many years, and there is not one found *this day* alive in England.

† The Roman *cardinals* wear *scarlet*. Deans and deacons, in England, wear scarlet also.

" Fear God: honour the king." All men ought to do so; but if kings, popes, cardinals, &c. fear not to disobey God, their subjects will *fear nothing*.



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"O fools and slow of heart to believe ALL that the prophets have spoken."

"Thou believest *one God*, thou doest well, the devils *believe and tremble*."

"I [Christ] am *the bread* of life."

"He who walketh righteously and speaketh uprightly; he who despiseth the gain of oppression, and shaketh his hands from holding bribes; who stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil: he shall dwell on high; *bread* shall be given him; his waters shall be made sure."

"God hath commanded no man to do wickedly, nor given any man *licence* to sin."

"Every man [a believer] shall sit under his fig-tree, and none shall make him afraid. Amen." * *Micah* iv.

* This is a *second paradise* or garden promised to all believers. Here is proof there will be no need of great crowded cities, to buy or sell merchandize—no Romes—no Babylons—no Londons, inhabited by men coveting the country seats of gentlemen, for God will give a share of the earth to all men; and travellers shall find asylums *everywhere*, and people shall be happy, and live on vegetable diets, fruits, &c. free from disease, and without any but the great physician, Christ.

The whole of this chapter is selected from the Bible, as if in fulfilment of the *oldest prophecies*, viz.:—

"Make a chain—precept must be added upon precept, line upon line—*here* a little, and *there a little*." A most unintelligible prophecy it was indeed to me, till after I made this chain chapter, and then I understood the meaning.

I confess it is my MASTER PIECE. I know I have put the links roughly together, but I have done my best; it is *my first attempt*, and, therefore, Christians will accept it, and excuse all faults.

May better labourers enter the vineyard, for I am a most unprofitable servant; however, I know *the chain is everlasting*. I hope I have rendered it intelligible (after the utmost anxiety) to the meanest CHILD's capacity.

I have made another *chain chapter* respecting the introduction of the MILLENIUM, which will follow in its proper place.

Perhaps millions never read or heard of these serious words of Isaiah's, viz.:—

"The Lord of Hosts hath *purposed* it to stain the pride of all glory, and to bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth." Amen.

I could write a volume in exposition of this chapter, but have compressed the chief points into the next chapter, which all are invited to read and examine.

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## CHAPTER III.

*Jerusalem as it is, or* LONDON *proved to be Part of* GREAT BABYLON. — *Comments upon the preceding Chain Chapter.* — *A remarkable Vision.*

JERUSALEM (the church, high and low) is made a BURTHENSOME STONE; as we see this day, all classes of the people bitterly complaining, in Christendom, except those who share, or hope to share, the *loaves and fishes!!!*

According to Mr. Coventry's book, if correct, it appears,

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| The high clergy of Great Britain pocket, yearly . | £8,896,000 |
| The clergy of all the rest of Christendom . . | 8,852,000 |
| Thus England pays more than 200 million souls . | 44,000 |
| The low clergy of England, Wales, and Ireland, pay | 1,000,000 |

Tithes were not levied in England till the ninth century.

Not a single priest, in the h' ,h or low churches, comes forward, like *a true soldier of Christ,* to point out the universal dangers and oppression existing.

The most awful curses are denounced against them, but they have fallen into temptation, who ought to preach *the truth,* and warn the world against "*covetousness, which is idolatry.*" Christendom is ten thousand times more guilty than Turks and Tartars, who have never heard the gospel.

Though the clergy receive all this money, poverty, misery, and crimes, are *redoubled* in every quarter, even in the heart of London, according to a report published by a district committee in 1828 (without the aid of any parson), with the best motives; by which it appears, they found only thirty-six families possessing a bible, among 1588.

"Public worship is unattended. The sexes (married and single) sleep in the same room; the number of prostitutes



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is very considerable, no less than sixteen were found in one house. There are about 50,000 in London (vide Appendix), as reported by Mr. Booth.

"St. Giles' is inhabited by beggars of the lowest classes, match-makers, &c.; little idea can be formed of the crowded and filthy state in which they live; in one house, nineteen families, of forty-two persons: the houses are filthy in the extreme."

Doubtless St. Giles' is a receptacle for stolen goods. "Men do not despise thieves, if they steal to satisfy hunger."—"They that die by the *sword* are better than they who die by *hunger*."

View the exterior of London; behold magnificent mansions, theatres, club-houses, hells or gaming-houses *, and bridges built or building all round; widened streets, with gas lights, newly paved, amidst innumerable improvements: a *stranger* or foreigner would suspect the inhabitants lived *in paradise*, blessed with every thing to render human creatures happy.

Let him enter the Royal Exchange, and converse with merchants, or he may soon be undeceived by shop-keepers.

He will perceive churches excluded from public view, by *covetous priests, to amass riches*, which ought to buy *bread* for the hungry weavers and workmen, compelled to rob at every opportunity.

Enter the city churches, and, behold, parsons and clerks may put all the congregations in the vestries; preach before comfortable fires, and avoid, what has been publicly styled, by one of the corporation, "*cursed cold churches*."

Let him next visit *the police*—but, stop, it is useless to digress into public abuses, since nothing seems pure but *gold*, and *gold* is considered to command the world and all its contents, though we see it possesses invisible wings, at the very moment we grasp or deposit it at the *Stock Exchange;* where a Frenchman is able to declare, that the *Paris* Exchange is superior to London, Liverpool, &c.

* I have been assured, that a single chandelier in one of them cost 2000*l*.

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The bishops and priests of *Christendom* style themselves *Right Reverend Fathers in God:* all the parsons are offended if not called *reverend;* thus, they rob God of his honours, whose name is "*Holy and Reverend.*"

The kings of Christendom are titled MOST Gracious, MOST Excellent, MOST Christian Majesties; and their sons and daughters are called the Princes of Peace, the Princesses of Peace, &c.

The pope places himself *the highest,* and is called "Sanctissimus Dominus, Sanctissimus Pater," Most Holy Lord!!! Most Holy Father!!! All alike are guilty of gross blasphemy; the offence is against God; and God's arm only can restore *Christian mercy, truth, and justice,* for *the whole creation groaneth* under the *burdensome stones* laid upon it; but Christ is at hand to prove *his yoke is easy, and his burden light,* by casting out every liar, with *a two-edged sword,* or the word of command, "*die, or obey;*" for, by his angels, *word,* and *spirit,* all things are ruled till he comes the *second time, as a judge.* He is now come, or coming as *universal conqueror.*

There is no reason to expect *the Resurrection* for 1170 years to come, or after the world is 7000 years old, as will be commented upon, and offered for due reflection.

To return from this digression. Even if all men contradicted this *second* UNIVERSAL tribulation, as originally expounded in the first chapter (the greatest and most terrible), I would maintain the point, hoping I should not recant, even if led to Smithfield.

*Christ's decree* is so tremendous, that he cannot strike the blow, without *express notice,* and he has spoken for forty years to London, like Jerusalem or Babylon.

Pride and vanity have deluged *human nature,* and stifled conscience; so, that as long as the earth yields all man wants, man regards the earth above God.

God declares he will, therefore, destroy the fruits of the earth, and all unbelievers, before the gospel is re-established.

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*Penny loaves* shall be worth sovereigns; sovereigns shall not command penny loaves; millions shall die *blaspheming God*, under "*the seven last plagues*," rather than repent.

Already spring advances, by sudden mild weather, after a severe winter, continually freezy and thawy over all Europe. The winter has been as extraordinary as the two last summers and harvests.

Tender blossoms, buds, and plants, may be nipped by blasting frosts and winds, in April or May, as I verily expect, according to Esdras or Ezra, for *nature is out of joint*, and cannot be restored while *Christendom* wages war against divine peace and mercy, freely offered at the cross and new covenant of grace.

How many parsons stand up in READING (not praying) DESKS this day, avowing "the *communion of saints*" with God, wishing "the fellowship of the Holy Ghost to cleanse their hearts; to defend them from all enemies, *ghostly and bodily*," who, when they mount pulpits, forget or deny this doctrine of divine agency, and put forth *morality* as the direct road to heaven; whereas, there is but *one way* thither, through Christ's cross and blood. If any men, like John Bunyan, John Engelbrecht, &c. be raised up to preach and practice Christ's doctrine, do not the collegians utterly deny any *superhuman* interference in worldly affairs? and declare, *the age of miracles* is passed, and that Christ has ceased to make any further revelation till *the end of the world*, having accomplished every thing before his death? This is false doctrine.

"Be no more children, carried about by every wind of doctrine, and by the sleight of men and cunning craftiness, whereby they *lie in wait* to deceive." *Gospel.*

"As robbers *lie in wait* for a man, so the company of priests murder in the way by consent." *Hosea* vi.

Christ expressly promised the *comforter* when he ascended, and sent comfort indeed to three thousand on the day of Pentecost—as great a miracle as ever he performed on

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earth; and he still continues to raise servants and prophets to execute his promises at all times, and in all ages!!! Murderers have been discovered by dreams.

Continual specimens happen; but all such are called enthusiasts or lunatics, especially if signs or voices be seen or heard upon death beds, or, if at the moment of death, ghosts or signs appear to surviving parents, husbands, brothers, &c. in distant lands across the ocean.

There are in London, or "*Babylon the Great*,"

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| Episcopal churches and chapels . . | 200 |
| Independent chapels . . . | 66 |
| Wesleyan Methodist . . . | 36 |
| Baptist Methodist . . . | 32 |
| Calvanistic Methodist . . . | 30 |
| Presbyterian (Scotch and Unitarian) . . | 16 |
| Roman Catholic . . . | 14 |
| Quakers' meetings . . . . | 6 |
| | 400 |

The Episcopalians have left the people to build *half* the churches and chapels.

Calculating the average attendance at 500, there is accommodation for 200,000 souls, and no accommodation for nearly a *million* souls. Where are they to go?—where? Alas!*

The churches alone, in London, are calculated to hold *three* out of every *thirteen* persons, or not a *quarter* of the population.

All householders are, however, compelled to pay church taxes to parsons, knowing that three quarters of the people have no church room; yet, parsons keep the money, and

* Dr. Middleton (late bishop of Calcutta) was presented to the vicarage of St. Pancrass, Middlesex, in 1811, where he found a population of 50,000 souls, with only the ancient parish church, incapable of holding more than *three* hundred.—*Query*. What are 49,700 souls to do? and where are they to go?

Dr. Middleton did more towards the conversion of Indian heathens than the East India Company for 200 years, who have suffered widows to be burnt in their dominions, caring for nothing but tea trade, &c.

A Christian decree of the Indian council, dated 4 Dec. 1829, forbidding suttees or human sacrifices, is arrived just in time for the press.

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allow nothing to build churches, or provide for the *poor*. All this is done under the mask of religion.

The scribes and Pharisees did the same, who sat in Moses' seat, and fell like Lucifer.

It appears there are 405 Catholic chapels in *England*, and 403 priests, according to late official accounts.

"In the House of Lords, London, 25 June, 1827, the Earl of Hardwicke presented a petition from Sutton, in Bedfordshire, complaining of the conduct of Dr. Free *, the rector of that parish.

"It described the reverend gentleman as a most immoral character, living in a state of libertinism with several *women*, and neglecting his clerical functions; the *sacrament* having been only *twice* administered in the parish church during the last *sixteen years*.

"The *Bishop of Lincoln* said, the rectory in question was unfortunately in his diocese, and he heartily wished an improvement in the *ecclesiastical law* would allow such gross, crying evils to be got rid of. He must, however, say, that the ecclesiastical court was the *last* place where a man could search for justice; and deeply regretted, that a noble and learned lord, who could have done so much to reform it, had become positively attached to a *system*, which could best show off his own wisdom and sagacity." †

Several alarms have lately existed, occasioned by reports, that "the church is in danger." The circulators had motives for their actions, resembling the wolf and the shepherd's boy, who created false alarms for his idle

* Dr. Free has since been excommunicated, after six or seven years' defiance; and ecclesiastical commissioners are appointed to examine abuses, and, let us hope, correct them.

† The following is stated to have been the LATE bishop of *Lincoln's* income: —

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| Value of the see | £8280 |
| Archdeacon of Exeter | 600 |
| Canon of Chichester | 700 |
| Vicar of Wellingley and Bexhill | 200 |
| | £9780 |

Patronage,—two archdeaconries, twenty-six prebends, eighty-six livings, besides sacrists, vicar's choral, &c.

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amusement; the bishops, ministers, &c. raise alarms against Catholics, merely to defend possession of the immense church revenues from being equitably applied, and to prevent reformation of its abuses. How can *one shepherd* take proper care of several *flocks*, at great distances asunder? It is true, he may hire *poor shepherds* to help him; but poor curates may act as idly as *poor shepherds*. The eyes of masters are necessary!

At a coffee-house, near St. Paul's, priests attend to be hired, like hackney coaches, at the nod of parsons arriving in London to enjoy its pomp and vanities, under the *non residence* law.

The solemn charge given by Jesus to his disciples, *to feed his sheep*, and the parable of the recovery of *one* lost sheep, ought to inspire bishops and curates with awful senses of the responsibility they owe God (their master), if one sheep or lamb be negligently lost. Does not the Scripture declare, that God will require the innocent blood at the priest's hands?

The church revenues are equal to *support* the *poor*, *build churches*, and *maintain* its *ministers* decently and comfortably, but we see these three purposes *perverted*.

Tithes are withheld from the *poor*, the people pay both tithes and *poor's* rates. The nation has been obliged to *build* new churches; and many poor curates, with 50*l.* or 80*l.* are literally *dinner pensioners*, where their parishioners can afford it, or must exist on bread and cheese, in which there is, perhaps, no hardship; but it is altogether unjust, while idle bishops, rectors, and *lay impropriators** receive about ten millions sterling, annually, living in extravagance and vice!!

"I am not mad, but speak forth the words of truth and soberness." *Acts* xxvi.

* "There shall be *like people, like priests.*"—This prophecy is verified this day by the Gentiles, and never applied to the Jews. The Gentiles are apt to apply all God's curses to the Jews, instead of themselves, whose crimes are greater—a damnable error!

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"When nations are to perish in their sins,
'Tis in the church the leprosy begins." COWPER.

We behold, alas! England yielding to idolators, what all the world could not wrest, even while she possesses the pure gospel, exporting it to all the corners of the earth this day, notwithstanding all the power of Rome is exerted against it. Thus, transgressors are come to the full in England, Rome, and all Christendom, now waiting divine vengeance.

Hans, or John Engelbrecht's vision of *the three states**, A. D. 1625 (205 years ago), applies to the downfall of the *Gentile* reign. He was born on Easter Sunday, 1599, at Brunswick, and buried there, 20 Feb. 1642, aged 43 years.

"Man walks the earth, '*a miracle to man*;'
His mind unlimited, his life a span."†

"I was in bed, at night, at the parson's house at Winsen, six miles from Zell, in the dutchy of Lunenburg, perfectly awake, in *silent* prayer to God, in great anguish of heart. I saw a bright shining cloud over me, which illuminated the chamber, as if polished with burnished gold.

"I saw a golden altar, and three men sitting on it, clad in white, upon chairs, fast asleep with their heads in their hands poised, and reposed upon their elbows. One man had two swords at his feet; another had a golden rod and golden book at his feet; the third had a sword and balance at his feet.

"I also saw *twelve* men in white, standing upright, who divided, and formed three bands of four each.

"Four had musical instruments.

"Four had music books; they formed a circle, over whom I saw a glittering star, and the eight men sung and played '*Te Deum*.'

* On 17 June 1829, I accidentally found Engelbrecht's book, containing this extraordinary vision, applying so exactly to Christendom now, that I cannot resist reprinting it, though "despisers will behold, wonder, and perish."

† A *Christian's* excellent address against Lord Byron's *unchristian* works, published in 1822. His lordship had a CLUB FOOT, and was a distinguished character of course.

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"The other four men walked about, two and two together, backwards and forwards; two spoke of the lamentable state of time, and the others of the joys of eternity; but the three men upon the altar continued asleep.

"Te Deum ended, and the eight vanished; the other four followed.

"An angel flew out of the cloud, clad in a white robe, with a golden key in his right hand, and a chain of gold upon his arm, and in his left hand he had a golden stick or wand. He passed swiftly along to the altar, and laid the key and chain upon it, and took the stick into both his hands, and struck one of the three men, who had the two swords at his feet, such *a violent blow* on the head that he fell down from the altar to the ground with so loud a noise and clatter, that the other two awaked, and cast their eyes all round.

"The angel did not smite them down also, but they remained in their chairs, he laid his stick upon the altar, raised, and reseated the man in his chair again, and put the two swords into his hands, saying, '*judge aright;* Antichrist has reigned long enough; Christ will now rule and reign.'"

"The exposition was given by an angel to *John Engelbrecht*, a servant and messenger of God, viz.:—

"The three men sitting, clad in white, upon the altar, signify the *three states:*—

"1. The ecclesiastical.

"2. The civil or popular.

"3. The political.

"Now, many are seated at ease, asleep, in known sins, in those states.

"The first man, with two swords lying carelessly at his feet, signifies the ecclesiastical state. The swords represent *faith* and *love* dropt carelessly out of their hands.

"The second man, in white, with the golden rod and book, represents the popular or family state of the world.

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" The *third* man, in white, represents the political state in which many are sitting asleep at ease, having the sword of love (with which they ought to punish the ungodly, and protect Christians), and the scales of justice lying also on the ground. The angel who smote the *first* man who represents the ecclesiastical state, signified that I was to remind the *learned** that they are the most culpable in their ungodly courses throughout Christendom, occasioning the people and their congregations to lead bad lives. For these reasons the church hypocrites are punished so signally. Out of their chairs shall they be smitten down in their pride in which they have *exalted* themselves, instead of humbling themselves according to the doctrine of Christ.

" They breed contentions, and produce divisions, and occasion all the evils suffered in Christendom; but for misleading the people they shall be smote to the ground, at last, not by *human hands, but by God's spirit.*

" However, exactly like the man in white, so shall Christians be *reseated* and preach (like the apostles) with pure, believing hearts.

" By the angel's expression, '*judge aright,*' they are to protect the good, and punish the wicked. Antichrist must be driven out of their hearts, who rules and reigns to this very day in almost *all* men.

" The key which the angel brought me, signifies the Holy Ghost. If what I write is not true, I must answer for it, and not another. I own, the divine revelations transcend all human understanding; no man is required to believe me but in Christ, who once appeared and showed me his five wounds (as he did to Thomas), and comforted me during my poverty and hunger.

* No brewers, no parsons ought to be magistrates. Parsons have enough to do to attend and feed the flock, but they never visit the sick without fees. If they resided at their respective churches nine months every year, instead of giving poor curates 50*l.* to do all the work, they might give half the revenue to feed the poor; if 50*l.* be enough for a parson doing all the duty, 1000*l.* is enough for any bishop or prime minister.

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" *The chain* I saw, signifies *God's word*, for the word forms a *chain* of many regular links, and does not clash, as the learned interprete the letters, according to their own heads.

" The angel vanished, and darkness returned. Whilst pondering in bed upon what I had heard and seen, I heard a voice say, ' John, get up, and immediately write down what thou hast seen and heard.' I loitered in bed till I received a blow upon my face, as if by some clenched fist, so that my eye struck fire. I again heard a voice, ' Why do you loiter so long in bed? Thus shall it go with all such as do the work of God negligently;' upon which I got up, lit a candle, and wrote down the vision and exposition in the pastor's house.

" O, ye *swarms of learned* men, and swarms of *preachers* in the world, of all denominations, who directing every person to yourselves, cry, ' Lo, here is Christ; lo, there is Christ; *our doctrine is best*,' thereby drawing the poor people from Christ by your godless, accursed disputes; it is you who seduce the whole world, emperors, kings, princes, and people; whence come all your wars, but from your covetousness? The devil himself has sent you out, and not God.

" I have written this exposition under the direction of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Signed) " JOHN ENGELBRECHT."

*Take the Application of this Divine Vision, viz.:* —

This vision happened in 1625, and was realized in 1653, under Oliver Cromwell; at the Restoration in England in 1688, and in France between 1789 and 1798, when Buonaparte overthrew the pope. Sixty-four thousand priests, and one hundred and thirty-eight bishops suffered death and exile. The details of the private lives of the French court and nobles during the reigns of Lewis XIV. XV. and XVI. surpass all history, except the Roman, in licentiousness, cruelty, and blasphemy.



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During this Revolution, God visited the sins of the fathers upon the third and fourth generations, because they exhausted his long forbearance, and continued committing sin. About 2,000,000 of Frenchmen perished in the most barbarous civil war ever recorded. Men and women, naked, were tied together in couples, and slaughtered by sabres, or thrown into the rivers. These were called *republican marriages* by spectators and executioners. The devil, *incarnate,* raged. Even young children were slaughtered, as Herod did once all male babes.

All Europe felt and trembled under *the rod of iron,* and furnished annual conscripts as victims.

Buonaparte prospered against idolators, but fell when he made concordats with Pius VI. in order to obtain a *divorce* from Josephine. How can popes be infallible, for, 2 Dec. 1804, one came from Rome expressly *to crown Napoleon;* but Napoleon crowned himself at Paris, in the pope's presence, who pronounced his blessing on Napoleon, full of pomp and vanity.

An air balloon ascended on that day from Paris, surmounted by an *imperial crown,* which ominously fell, after 22 hours' flight, near Rome. Had Pius been infallible, he never could have crowned the man who twice sacked Rome, before he perished at St. Helena, a prisoner in exile, under the English navy and army.

The Almighty arm who raised, also crushed Napoleon's host by his elements in Russia. "Who can abide God's frost?" One divine word could freeze every sinner to death in one night.

The Almighty has often thrown down and *reseated* princes, priests, and people; He now gives them a *final, merciful* opportunity to "*judge aright;*" but they are again fallen asleep, like idle centinels, leaving the city exposed to *universal* enemies.

This is the last opportunity for Christendom, because they rejected the divine mercy, and *unanimously* restored the pope, whose first step was an edict against publishing

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the gospel, 29 June, 1816; which edict, or *Bull*, is open war against God, for he orders the gospel to be preached to all the world *; nevertheless, Christendom supports idolatry, and drags down the fatal blow which God is very unwilling to strike, who spared the Ninevites who repented, and suffered Jonas to be considered *a false prophet*. Christ owned Jonas as his prophet, and delivered him from the whale, after three days and three nights, which was the only sign he gave the Jews!!! but at and after his crucifixion, Christ gave awful signs of his divinity, for *the sun set at noon*, and there was a *great earthquake*.

The Jews rejected these signs, and the *miracle* on the day of *Pentecost;* and thereby drew down the utter destruction of Jerusalem, and the death of a *million* souls; but God gave believers opportunity to escape before the siege, which compelled the Jews to devour their children. God will also now spare every Christian in heart.

* Except the holy war, the only historical instance of perfect unanimity in Europe is against God; for, on all other affairs, discord reigns. Thus, the gospel is fulfilled by the Gentiles invoking universal tribulation, because all Europe supports the Pope under the "*Holy Alliance*" formed in 1814 at Paris, as predicted by St. John's Revelations, in my humble opinion, also by Daniel, as I shall endeavour to expound most clearly in another Chapter, styled "BABYLON THE GREAT," to which I refer, for there is more horrible confusion universally reigning than did once in *Old Babylon*.



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## CHAPTER IV.

*Particular Predictions and Signs of Christendom's Destruction, and End of the Gentile Reign.*

"WATCH and pray, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things."

"Heaven is God's throne; the earth God's footstool."

"This book shall be written for the people that shall come after; and the people that shall be born shall praise the Lord." *King David.*

"The Lord hath *purposed* it to bring into *contempt* all the honourable of the earth." *Isaiah* xxiii. 9.

"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but Christ's word shall not pass away.

The signs and signal events during the last *forty years* in Europe, announce,—

1. *Christian* mercy, truth, and justice, shall be executed over the whole world. Priestcraft and kingcraft utterly abolished.

2. The gospel shall be preached again, like the apostles, gratis.

3. Every man, woman, and child, shall be cut off who does not acknowledge and obey the gospel, or ask and seek salvation for Christ's sake, who will be *universal King of kings* and *Lord of lords*, without a single rival, for *all flesh* shall honour and obey him according to his blessed will and prophecies; for "Christ will put down *all rule*, all *authority*, and *power*."

"The government shall be upon Christ's shoulders, and of *the increase* and *peace* of Christ's kingdom there shall be no end."

God is very *unwilling* to give *the fatal signal* to his angels, millions of whom ever attend watching his words,

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which are usually executed in a moment; but we see *forty years'* notice has been given, and he never gave more than forty years to the Jews (in the wilderness) and to Jerusalem, for it is singular to find *both* those great and terrible judgments were not inflicted without such very long notices. *

"Except the Lord keep the city, the watchmen awake in vain."

The awful divine notice of forty years is, alas! expired, and there shall be no more mercy shown; the *universal* tribulation is begun, and few or none shall witness the end but Christians, like Noah, Lot, Daniel, Job, &c.

"Woe to a nation scattered and *peeled*." Isaiah.

England has yielded to priestcraft, and realized the prophecy to Mr. Pitt, that England would be ruined if George III. entered into war with France, but the warning was despised; the prophet pronounced *mad*, and confined eleven years in *a mad house* at Islington, deprived of all human intercourse, except one man (Capt. Hanchett, R.N.), without the use of pen and ink. England is doomed to suffer at the hands of papists, as she deserves, for the war caused Mr. Pitt to allow Irish papists to vote for members of parliament: "a little *leaven* has *leavened* the whole."

It is an extraordinary coincidence, but true, that George III. suffered *eleven* years' confinement, as a lunatic, at Windsor Castle, after the gentleman was liberated, who suffered unjustly *eleven* years. "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth."

"The celebrated John Evelyn prophecied that the emissaries of the church of Rome will never rest till they crush the church of England, knowing Romans can never fairly answer Christians." On 14 Nov. 1792, Mr. Romaine prophecied also the destruction of London, viz.: "I find

* Christ preached about four years; and exactly 36 years after his crucifixion, Jerusalem was destroyed, with all its inhabitants, whose temple was burnt A. D. 70, being exactly 40 years' mercy!!!



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a fixed purpose to destroy London for the abominations committed by priests and people; the execution is ordered, but the destroyers not suffered to act till Christ sets his mark on his people, not one of whom is to be hurt. We are as bad and as ripe for destruction as Jerusalem."

Behold rich feasts ordained, where bishops, nobles, &c. take the best seats, after having assembled for public charitable purposes, and sing "*Non Nobis Domine,*" after having performed well as gluttons, before they conclude as drunkards, exactly as the Jews were once accused by Christ. Felons are redoubled lately, after such examples, in spite of Bible Societies, whose subscribers advertize their *princely donations,* courting earthly honours. "How can men believe who seek honour from each other?"

Thus, two most extraordinary judgments or miracles of God occupied *forty years* each, and the same portentous notice or period having exactly expired since 1789, I do conceive, afford two most scriptural *signs* of the *third* grand dispensation or *Millenium being at hand,* whereby God will manifest and establish his gospel, by a *universal* overthrow of the Gentile church, now generally sunk into more intolerable idolatry and traditions than the Jews, for the Gentiles *profess* Christ, but reject his *example* and *eleventh* command, "*to love one another.*" The *last* and *present Gentile* error is worse than the *first* or *Jewish* error. "Though angels from heaven bring any doctrine but the gospel, let them be accursed."

"Then shall *they* (I do avow I do for one) see *the sign* of the Son of Man *coming* (in the clouds of heaven) with great power and glory; and then shall *all* the tribes of the earth mourn, for there shall be a time of trouble such as *never was since there* was a nation even to that time: and at that time every Christian shall be delivered that shall be found in the book of life."—"Except those days should be *shortened* there should be no flesh saved; all these are the beginning of sorrows, earthquakes, pestilence, famine,

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fire, sword, storms, tempests, hail, plagues by heat, cold, and infectious airs."*

Man has no right to impose any *yoke* upon man, but God has laid ten laws upon *all* men; "the whole creation groaneth."

Man has laboured in vain, but "*no man keepeth the law.*" God himself must cast out all devils from the earth, as he hath sworn, for 1000 years.

Even God cannot reverse this decree, but he can *hasten* or *postpone* it (the same as he did to Nineveh), till there may be but eight, or eight hundred, or eight thousand Christians alive on earth. "God cannot deny himself." St. John declares, that 12,000 each of the twelve tribes, or 144,000 will be first sealed or *saved.*

The sign of the event is clear, and it is God's revelation, that *some* men should *see* the sign of his coming (in the clouds of heaven) with power and great glory!!!

If the providential *allotted hour* be arrived, is it extraordinary that man is permitted *to see the sign,* not of Christ's arrival in person (oh, no! that can only be at the end of the world *as Judge*), but *a sign* of the outpouring of his spirit on *all* flesh—a sign of his coming with power and glory.†

Is it not a sign of power and glory to find harvests have been *saved,* while clouds deluged the earth, so that destruc-

* We are assured by Christ's disciples that the tribulation cannot come, except there come *a falling away* from Christ's gospel, as it is *this day.*

Since writing the above, I have (24 Jan. 1830) been struck with the 15 chapter of 2d book of Esdras, as expressive of the *strange harvest weather* in 1828 and 1829, as the overture to future changes.

"Behold, speak the prophecy I will put in thy mouth, and write them on paper, for they are faithful and true. Fear not the imaginations against thee. Let not incredulity trouble thee, for all the unfaithful shall die." O, Christians! read and ponder this chapter well.

† "They that till the ground shall mourn, for their seed shall fail through the blasting and hail, and with *a fearful constellation.*"

This prophecy seems to allude to Moore, who says, all the old and new planets are in opposition this year. Surely they portend *a novel era.*

Woe to the world! I believe such "*fearful constellations*" never happened before.

"There shall be sedition among men, invading one another; they shall not regard their kings or princes; and the course of their actions shall stand in their power." *Ezra* and *Esdras.*



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tion would have been a *natural* consequence? therefore, a *most mighty sign* has been given (unheeded by the world), which ought to excite man to turn and accept Christ's mercy rather than perish, as all *scoffers will soon do when* Christ comes as *universal King*.

All survivors of this *universal* tribulation (occasioned by the elements, &c.) will accept Christ as King of kings, and shall see paradise restored; the earth, free from accursed thorns and thistles, shall bring forth abundance of corn, wine, and oil, and all the earth shall praise the Lord.

"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse, being made a curse for us."

The *universal* tribulation precedes universal deliverance! God is able to draw *good* out of *evil!*

Even sinners will acknowledge the justice of eternal damnation, who reject endless mercy, and resist the *compulsion* to come in, till their seared *consciences* shall condemn them. Christ said, "*compel* them to come in that my house may be *full*." O, trust not in barns overloaded with corn, as the rich man, whose soul was required the very night he proposed to build and rebuild houses to contain his goods! Let men be content with daily bread, for if *one* possessed all, a man could not eat what he covets.

The Lord Christ will not tarry in his glorious chariot to accomplish his prophecies in his own time and manner; it would be blasphemy against his Eternal Majesty to attempt to explain *the time and manner* better or further than he has done already, by divine inspiration!!!

Remember, John the Baptist proclaimed Christ's first advent, who realized the prophet's proclamation, while John was preaching in the wilderness, and lived on locusts and wild honey.

John, the divine messenger (unlike most other prophets*), lived to see his commission realized, but *doubted*

* Christ said, "there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist."
Thus, it is very probable, he may now come, while the "*the third prophet*, John," lives on earth, who even now proclaims Christ's *second advent* or kingdom on earth, is coming on wings, swifter than lightning *from the east*, for

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whether He was "the Christ that should come, and sent to ask whether he was to look for another?"

Christ desired the message-bearer to "go and show John again these things: the blind see, the deaf hear, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the dead are raised, the poor have the gospel preached." These incontestible signs removed John's doubts, and ought to remove all men's.

John died a martyr in prison, beheaded by Herod, to please a damsel.

Herod died wretchedly, who slaughtered the young children. Jesus called Herod a fox.

Like John, in one respect (who doubted of Christ's actual advent), I hardly believe Christ's *revelation* hangs this moment over Christendom. Like waves, doubts rush after doubts, overwhelming, except *the light defied eclipse*, and enabled human frail nature to sound the alarm and keep steadfast watch.

If John the Baptist felt doubts, what doubts must I possess? and how excusable or inexcusable, for John did not witness Christ's *resurrection*, but was beheaded?

I verily believe I shall (like John the Baptist) live to see the second deluge of tribulation, which I have endeavoured to expound faithfully, during a retreat that may be compared to a *wilderness*.

I may also die a martyr, by popular commotion, for daring to pronounce God's threats to "a wicked and adulterous generation," whose crimes cannot escape due reward.

The works are confirmed by every express divine token; there is not one accomplished by which we are told to know that the *third* great dispensation is at hand, even at the doors.

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there ELIAS first descends, while tidings out of the east and north shall trouble Christendom, who are *unanimous* in nothing, except supporting Turks and Romans, who violate the gospel; while Greece is made a *bone* of contention, indeed, for it is as desolate now as Palestine has long been, and Christendom must soon be, before Palestine or paradise is restored. Christ alone must reign, whose *twelve legions of angels* are at hand.

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"He who runs may read how great are God's signs; how mighty his wonders."

1. *The gospel is preached to all the world!!!—the chief signal!!!*

2. Christendom yields to the beast of idolatry and desolation.*

3. The world is asleep or intoxicated with riches and covetousness.

4. Marriage is forbidden by priests, as Timothy predicted.

5. The church is made a *den of thieves by Gentiles, like Jews.*

6. The whole world is full of scoffers, or governed by a miserly *spirit* of pride and *selfishness*, destructive of charity and humanity.

7. Christ also declares, "behold, I come as a thief in the night;" and if he come (spiritually) this night, who will be found a true *watchman*, for the event will come as a snare upon all the world?

8. The condition of the world is exactly what it is declared it shall be sunk into; the rich oppress the poor, widows, orphans, &c. to provide for bastards and favourites.

9. *All* classes (high and low) are full of envy, jealousy, and malice, each going beyond to defraud his brother, rather than relieve and visit the sick, hungry, naked, halt, maimed, blind, deaf, &c.

Like the Baptist, I say *repent*, or this night Christ may surprise you with the hosts of gluttons, drunkards, adul-

* "Round St. Peter's statute at Rome are to be seen, at all hours, groups of peasants rubbing their foreheads on its feet, which have become polished by the perpetual friction.

"George IV. has erected a monument in St. Peter's, to the memory of the exiled English royal family, James III. his queen, and two sons."—*Ex Lady Morgan's Italy.*

A portrait of George IV. has been presented to the pope at the Vatican; perhaps, his Holiness will soon be invited to Babylon the Great!!

A temple, called "*the temple of the gods*" is erected near Virginia Water at *Windsor Castle;* and the tower, called *the devil's tower*, has been razed and rebuilt.

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terers, extortioners, oppressors, liars, dogs, usurers, wolves, blasphemers, hypocrites, &c.

Christ said, "*surely I come quickly*, watch and pray;" but I verily believe there is *not a single man* that will be found watching at *the day and hour* when his *spirit* comes to restore the earth to a paradise for 1000 years, nor at his *second* coming, *personally, to judge* the earth (quick and dead) at *the last day*, after the devil has again reigned a short time, and exposed the earth to *eternal volcanoes*, like *Mount Etna*, &c. by the THIRD *wrath* of God to come.

I have resolved never to enter another church till I can find a preacher, gratis. "Use no vain repetitions as the heathens do."* — "When you pray, enter thy closet, and shut the door." I have also resolved in future never to use any prayer but *the Lord's*. I find 69 words embrace all *human* wants and *divine* desires! What a divine stamp!!!

We also see *the first thing Christ* prayed for, and taught us to pray for, is "the *kingdom of God*," by the obedience of man (in Christ) to the will or law of God on earth; and, yet if people talk about such a thing, they are called enthusiasts, fanatics, &c.

Nothing degrades God more than to doubt *one* of his words; if we doubt *gentlemen's words*, or call them *liars*, do they not burst into passions and murderous duels? Shall not God be avenged on *all liars* who deny Christ, but pretend faith in one great God, though their hearts are heathenish?

* In the episcopal church of England, two or three divine services (as they are called) are blended together, and occasions three or four repetitions of the Lord's prayer; one assembly thus saves the trouble of two or three, and enables many to enjoy *fox hunts*, &c.

Episcopalian bishops, priests, &c. in every church *reading* desk, say, "I believe in *the communion of saints*," meaning *with* God through Christ. Before communion they pray thus, "cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the *inspiration of thy holy spirit*." Again, in the litany, they say, "deliver us by '*the coming of the Holy Ghost*;'" and conclude, by hoping, "*the fellowship of the Holy Ghost*" may be with every soul of the congregation.

When they mount pulpits, they prove, according to the apostle's prophecy, "*they have a form of godliness, but deny the power thereof*," by declaring God has ceased to *commune* with the world as he used to do, by his holy prophets, but has left all visible and invisible government of it *till the day of judgment*.

"Ye say, the Lord hath forsaken the earth," by such doctrine, according to the old prophet.—"Verily, they have their reward."

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God can and will perform all his promises (without visible hands), and fulfil his prophecies before the end of the world, and then Christ comes as the judge.

The harvest is saved, but rains may rot our seed under the clods. Hot or humid atmospheres often occasion sickness and death. Consider seven years' rain, or seven years' drought; - all the elements are God's visible and invisible servants.

I repeat, God is very unwilling, but determined and sworn to destroy sinners who reject Christ's mercy, by means so marvellous, that at last *the whole world* shall acknowledge him to be its just and true governor.

" I will cut off man and beast, and every green herb."

This may be done again by *the ten plagues* which afflicted Pharaoh's kingdom, before he perished with all his host in the *Red Sea;* but the history is disbelieved and ridiculed by the heathens.

Destruction has overtaken the seven churches, at Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea, exactly as Christ revealed to John. Every word must quickly be fulfilled.

The Mediterranean* once formed the most beautiful and fruitful part of the world, and still continues so in several parts, but is accursed by continual earthquakes, because the inhabitants of Greece, Turkey, and Italy, have, like the Jews, rejected Christ, and persist in abominations, superstitions, and traditions. It is now infested with pirates of all kinds, seeking universal plunder and slaves.

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| " Legitimate births at | Oporto in | 1815, | 1626; | illegitimate, | 1863. |
| Do. | do. | 1819, | 1756; | do. | 1847. |
| Do. | Lisbon in | 1815, | 5388; | do. | 2095. |
| Do. | do. | 1819, | 5310; | do. | 2050." |

— *London and Paris Observer*, 17 *June*, 1827.

Here we have a sample of human nature at Lisbon.

* France now (as England lately did) prepares vast armaments *avowedly* to raze Algiers, and exterminate the African savage monsters; but how vain are all *human* powers who expect peace to be *the price of blood!* — " *There is no peace to the wicked.*"

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No wonder the city has been frequently destroyed for its continual sins.

At this rate, if correct, Lisbon contains 70,000 bastards, if there be about 210,000 souls in it. Above half are bastards at Oporto.*

In a short time I expect hundreds, if not *thousands*, will see and avow "*the signs* of the Son of Man *coming*," who may not live to see the advent of his spirit, which will dethrone misers, idolators, and cut off every living soul who is found relying on any name for pardon, but Christ.

"The sun shall go down *at noon*" (in Christendom), and it is *noon* indeed, for the gospel was never *more preached*, nor *less practised* by the world; but "*the Sun of Righteousness* shall arise with healing in his wings," and fly, like thunder, over all the earth, which is troubled by grievous yokes laid upon it by multitudes of church doctors, priests, and legislative lawyers, without any prospect of *human* deliverance by *human* power. "Woe unto ye, doctors (of divinity) and lawyers (legislators), for ye lay heavy burthens on men, grievous to be borne, but ye yourselves touch them not with one of your fingers."

"O, Christians, see that ye be not troubled," for Christ is able to draw *good* out of *evil;* and after destroying antichrist, to summon all survivors to reign in a Jerusalem paradise 1000 years here, and for ever hereafter!!

"Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." I long to find and know such Christians.

St. Jerome said, "*the signal of the Lord's* (spiritual) *advent is the gospel preached* (as it is this day) *in all the world*."—"Watch, for ye know not *what hour* your Lord cometh; but when ye see *all* these things come to pass, then know it is even at the door, and lift up your heads for your *redemption* is near," or the *first* resurrection, which must be considered in another chapter; this *resurrection* is a great mystery hitherto sealed from all flesh, I believe.

* *Query.*—How many does "*Babylon the Great*" contain, by the same rule of multiplication? O tempora! O mores!

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There is not a greater disgrace to Christianity than exhibited in Gentile church yards, where bones and skulls are scattered; a man's bones cannot rest; even his length and breadth are denied.

The Jews never bury in towns or synagogues; and I never heard of a Jew's body being dug up like Gentiles. Even at Paris the heathens set better examples than Protestants. Go to *Pere le Chaise,* and view more magnificence than at Westminster. Now for a *death stroke* at the pope!!!

The Roman church assumes its authoritative *infallibility* from *Peter's gift* or power more than from Christ, forgetting that Peter was most severely rebuked, *in the same chapter,* by Christ, who said to Peter, "get thee behind me *Satan,*" and this seems to have happened directly after Christ said (in reply to Peter's confession, "*thou art Christ*") that he would build his church on that *rock,* viz.: *on the confession that he was Christ, and not on poor Peter's body,* returned to dust, and still in the grave waiting *the resurrection,* like Adam, Eve, &c.; consequently, Christ could not have called *Peter a rock,* but meant that the gates of hell should not prevail against Christians, who *make* similar public confessions.

Private confessions of sins ought to be made to God *alone,* who has power to forgive sins.

Again, Christ told Peter, "behold, *satan* hath desired to have you, but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not."

When Peter was tempted (the same day) he denied Christ *thrice* before the cock crew, but wept bitterly for his denial.

Thus, the 22 chapter of Luke proves *Peter was not infallible.* How then can high priests at Rome possess infallibility? How can any man do more than the apostles, who confessed *openly,* not *privately?* "The *evil* I would not, that I do; and the good I would, I do not."

*Private* confessions are abominable, especially of young

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sick ladies to young priests, who are forbidden to marry, for it leads into temptations. *Public* confessions are better.

*All Christendom* tacitly acknowledged *the Roman God* in 1814; but the pope was not allowed to sign the treaty called "*the Holy Alliance,*" because Great Britain's Christian constitution prevented George III. from any open treaty with Rome. Europe *gives* her power to the beast, as prophecied by Daniel, by a *secret* treaty, as if ashamed to let the pope sign publicly; but if he really be like Christ's apostles, why is he unworthy to sign and swear *the Holy Alliance?*

How just, wise, and true is God's judgment, making the curse *Christendom* restored, the sting to destroy herself!!

The beast pierces England to death. The Princess Charlotte expired on 6 Nov. 1817, and never did Britons weep more, for she was the last hope. "The sun set at noon."*

How emblematical of England's wretched fate was that fatal day, threatening another minority and regency, during which, it is likely, she will be torn to atoms by proud, oppressive, ambitious, covetous infidels, denying both God and devil, as Frenchmen and foreigners do in general throughout Europe.

Dr. Croft, the midwife, who attended the princess at Claremont, committed suicide at Mrs. Thackeray's house, and the nurse died within a month after the princess. The queen was unfortunately at Bath when these events seemed to be the *signal* for many hasty royal marriages to give *better* heirs or heiresses to the crown. Away with irrelevant prognostics; a happy reign is at hand, overcoming *universal tribulation.* "All nations shall worship God (who is a spirit) in spirit and truth; and all shall know God, from the greatest to the least."

* The sun set at noon also, at Christ's crucifixion, for there was darkness at and after noon, and a great earthquake!!!

This prophecy is declared *impossible.* The sun also once stood still; whoever expects the sun to set at noon or stand still *again*, will expect in vain, for if they do not believe God's *word*, how can they believe any *signs?*

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The Duke of York, Mrs. Clarke, and Colonel Wardle have vanished, whose lives are recorded by faithful historians. Mrs. Jordan's name must also reign with Mrs. Fitzherbert, Lady Ellenborough, Princess Olive of Cumberland, and Company *, with all *due* honour. All the world rushes from cradles to *graves*, as swift as the sun.

Look at the depravity of the royal theatres. "Robert the Devil, Don Giovanni, Dr. Faustus, Der Freischutz, The Bottle Imp, Harlequins and Columbines," supersede moral tragedies and comedies, which once yielded real instruction and warning to old and young against temptations and evil examples. One look at the Opera ballet, and another at Almack's or the house of ladies, are enough.

> "Immodest *deeds* admit of no defence;
> *A* want of decency is want of sense." POPE.

How the world is filled with books on all subjects, chiefly fit for the flames? How many thousand souls have they ruined?

*What* innumerable romances bury romances! What catalogues of precious poems, odes, fables, riddles, songs, tragedies, comedies, pantomimes, &c.! What heathen gods, goddesses, stoics, and philosophers! but of all, it is asked, cui bono? *what* service are they? Such trash will surely be burnt, and the language restored that was universal before Babel was built.

How great authors amuse and allure the world away from the gospel, and tend to disguise or defeat God's command to "*search the Scriptures*," which antichrist confounds (as far as possible), till at length proud *high priests* have, by *covetous* examples, brought *Religion into almost universal contempt* throughout Europe, because bishops, priests, and deacons, amass wealth, and live in idle luxury, professing Christ's example, "honouring *Christ* with their lips, whose hearts are far from him;" therefore,

* A pamphlet called "*Splendid Sins*," says, twenty-one *divorce bills* have been passed in the *last five years*. Prince Schwartzenburg adds another to this catalogue of the HAUT TON!!! Quæ nunc prescribere longum est.

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they wilfully mislead the people, and are more guilty than publicans and harlots under necessities.

*What* innumerable pugilists are murdering each other!!! What crowds rush to such brutal bloody spectacles, offering prizes to the conquerors, or betting their last shillings! *What* pugilistic schools for gentlemen and blackguards, who relish nothing better than bull-baits, cock-fighting, horse-races, &c.! All who cannot attend such exhibitions eagerly buy *Sunday* newspapers, containing horrid details, to serve them instead of bibles or sermons!! The newspapers journalize every horrid crime, and prove "human nature is desperately wicked, and deceitful above all things." Murderers move every where (against rich and poor), "instigated," according to indictments, "by the *devil;*" yet it is asserted there is no devil. The tax on dice and cards is reduced, instead of redoubled. Surely, gamesters are *devils* incarnate in *hells.* At St. James's, one house cost above 50,000*l.*, and one chandelier 2000*l.* A dice is the *die* whereby gamesters reduce families to beggary, and rush to hell by pistols and razors. The Mendicity Society relieved nearly 15,000 starving creatures in one week. *Debts of honour* at cards, dice, or billiards, are held more sacred than butchers' or bakers' bills.

One million sterling, bequeathed by founders for schools, hospitals, &c. have been embezzled, according to public report. As to Christ's Hospital *, it is filled with boys and girls of rich folk, contrary to the founder's will, to protect orphans, &c. The Foundling † is a receptacle for bastards. To attempt to expose all abuses would fill

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| * Children admitted in London and Hertford . . | 1173 |
| Children to be admitted on *presentations* issued . | 140 |
| | 1313 |

"A person who has a presentation, this Easter, for a GIRL, wishes to exchange it for a BOY'S, either for this year or next. The father of the child need not be free of the city. Apply at 7, Old Swan Lane, London Bridge." *Ex Times*, 15 *April*, 1830.

† George II. granted a charter, 17 Oct. 1739, for the Foundling Hospital to Thomas Coram, Gent. "*in behalf of great numbers of helpless infants daily exposed to destruction in the streets, to murder,*" &c.



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volumes, if not libraries. No other nation boasts so many noble, public, charitable institutions, sacrificed.

During seven years' residence at Chichester, where I received a classical education in the houses of episcopalian ministers, whom I revere and respect, I never entered the cathedral without deeper impressions of the presence of God than tongues or pens can describe!! I hope I shall never depart from the high church *principles*, though I condemn its *practice*, for it possesses *the letter*, while it has lost the *gospel spirit*.

I knew an old gentleman, a friend of Bridgewater, whose memory I venerate, who wrote *the Lord's prayer* in the circle of a shilling, when 80 years old. I remember his assertion, that farmers keep away from church because the first thing they saw was "*the devil in the pulpit*," who exacted tithes six days in every week.

I lately had occasion to call at a club-house, and while waiting, two gentlemen fops entered, arm in arm, to one of whom the waiter delivered a message I did not hear, but I heard the gentleman exclaim, "Zounds! what a damned bore! (pausing)—Curse me if I can do it! (walking away) —Damn me, if I a'nt going out of town."

This happened not far from where Carlton House once stood; and, at the same moment, I was struck with the appearance of another gentleman, whom I mistook for the Duke of Wellington, whom he exactly resembles in stature, figure, and physiognomy, and whom I have since learned is a major in the army!!!

The church is too learned not to see that their evil examples have corrupted Christendom, and prepared its downfall. The church has prepared Christendom for "*the battle of Armageddon*," as proclaimed in my pamphlets, entitled, "*The last Days and Works*, or Death Warrant of Christendom," published in April, 1829, which I sent to the clergy, viz.:—

1. "Woe to the isles! As robbers lie in wait for a man, so the company of *priests murder* (*in the way*) by consent." *Hosea* vi.

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"I [Christ] am *the way*, the truth, and the life."

2. "From the least to the greatest every one is given to *covetousness;* and from *the prophet to the priest* every one dealeth falsely." *Jer.* vi.

3. "Covetousness is idolatry. Beware! Search the Scriptures."

4. "The watchmen are blind; they are *all* ignorant; they are *all* dumb dogs; they cannot bark, lying down loving to slumber. Yea, they are *all* greedy dogs, that can never have enough, every one looking for *gain* from his quarter!!! How can they know to do right, who store up violence and robbery in their palaces?" *Isaiah* lvi.

5. "Will a man rob God? yet ye have robbed God in tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse, even this whole nation." *Malachi.*

6. The publicans and harlots enter the kingdom of heaven before such hypocrites, vipers, and fools. Rahab, the harlot, was saved at Jericho, and all her family, by faith. "Behold, ye despisers, wonder, and perish."

7. "Cursed is the man who doeth the work of the Lord deceitfully."

8. "All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or fruit of the tree, *is the Lord's*, it is a holy thing [allotted to feed the hungry and sick, clothe the naked, fatherless, widows, &c.]. Ye have taken away the rights of the poor [by inclosures of almost all the commons]; ye have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor is within your houses."* *Lev.* xxvii. &c.

John the Baptist felt doubts, even while Christ was on the earth.

* All these are God's words, and apply to the *Gentiles* more than formerly to the Jews.

George I. passed 16 bills to inclose commons. George III. passed 3402 bills to inclose about 6,500,000 acres, whereby 366 forests have been annihilated. There remain nearly twenty million acres of waste lands or commons in England and Ireland, capable of being applied to the relief of the poor, and for plantations.

These twenty million acres ought to be allotted to the poor towards their relief by Christian commissioners, under such regulations as legislators would desire if they were poor.



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John the Evangelist had many visions (without interpretation) which exceeded his power to explain, consequently, it is vanity for *human* nature to discover "the mysteries of God," till they are unfolded and fulfilled by God himself, in the way and time he pleases, as the sovereign of creation. I agree with Bishop Newton, "that *all* expositions are not allotted to be made by *one* man, nor in *one* generation, but probably will never be *fully* understood till *all is fulfilled.*" The baptism of John was from *heaven*, and all flesh must be baptized, like Christ, during his glorious reign one thousand years, with the Holy Ghost.

I remember many, many years past, I always prayed to be spared from all *supernatural* noises and visions, although I felt that *good* angels would not hurt, and that *evil* angels could not hurt any man whom God protected.

No *human* power can give divine interpretations, and I hardly feel perfect rays of light can fall upon such a weak poor sinner as me, but God has always spoken through sinful men, except Christ, who is the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever. Flesh is weak, but my *spirit* is *willing*.

I have searched the Scriptures several years, with humble desire to find the truth. Light enters my mind, and dispels my continual doubts; for, if John the Baptist had doubts (while Christ was on the earth), what must not I have to oppose me? However, Christ said, "Search the Scriptures; seek, and ye shall find; the comforter, the spirit of truth, shall lead you into all truth." I have followed his sacred command, and am satisfied no *human* powers could have removed my doubts about the *unfulfilled prophecies!!!* Scripture itself answers the chief points.

The humble fruit of my labours, if any good, must be ascribed to Providence, who never executes his *great* and *terrible* judgments without sending special awful warnings. WHO OR WHAT all the prophets were is of no consequence, except as servants of God's word.

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I have not presumed to affix many dates, as many have blasphemously done. No man knows what a day may bring forth. I leave the issues to time to be proved and judged. I believe what I predict will soon come to pass, and that I may possibly live to see it, or die a victim, like old Jewish prophets, to popular or regal rage. Christ holds and gives the key of knowledge to whoever he pleases; but Christendom declares that all divine revelations ended in Christ, and that there can be no more made till *the end of the world!!*

> "To whom can riches give repute or trust,
> Content or pleasure, but the good and just;
> Judges and senates have been bought with gold,
> *True faith and love* are never to be sold." POPE.

> "Hear *Christ*, ye senates; hear one truth sublime,
> *All* who allow oppression share the crime.
> Remember, heaven holds his avenging rod;
> *Starving* the poor is treason against God."* DARWIN.

"O, fools, slow of heart, to believe all the prophets."

"Make a chain, for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city [Babylon the Great] full of violence, wherefore, I will bring the worst of the *heathen*, and they shall possess their houses .... Mischief shall come upon mischief; rumour upon rumour: the king shall mourn," &c. *Ezekiel* vii.

"The ungodly is God's sword."

"The earth is the Lord's, and all that is therein."

"The destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way."

"The Lord will *scatter* the people that delight in war."

"A man that is an *heretic*, after the second and third admonition, reject."—"If riches increase, set not your heart upon them."

"If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine of *Christ*, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed." *John's 2 Epistle.*

* The words in italics are changed.



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"Christ knows their blasphemy who say they are Jews, and are not, but are of the synagogue of satan." *Rev.* ii.

"God is no respecter of persons; Greeks, Jews, Gentiles, and all who believe, are accepted. How long will ye halt between two opinions?" *Acts.*

"Ask of Christ, and he will give thee [O, Christian] the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." *Psalm* ii.

"Though the fig trees shall not blossom, neither fruit be in the vines, and the fields shall yield no meat," &c. (*before the millenium*), like Habakkuk, all Christians will rejoice in Christ.

"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the people who *forget God.*" Psalm xvii.—"Their flesh, eyes, and tongues shall consume away *while they stand upon their feet.*" Zec. xiv.

"The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance; he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly." *Psalm* lviii.

These curses are denounced against *all* who fight against *Jerusalem* or Christ; they have *never* yet been executed (except upon false Jews), but will soon fall upon the *world,* because it always fights against "the King of the Jews," Christ.

"Worship God *at all times* and *in all places;* in season, and out of season."

"Do all to the glory of God."

*Then* arts and sciences in machinery, to provide clothing and necessaries, shall reduce human labour to pleasurable employment, whilst the earth shall yield her increase, and God give his blessing.

The following little chronological account may be useful to *the rising generation* (standing in jeopardy), who may see how high and mighty empires have passed into the ocean of eternity (whence no travellers return), and prepare to meet God.

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## CHRONOLOGY OF THE WORLD.

| | | AFTER THE CREATION |
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| 1. | The deluge | 1656 |
| 2. | The Assyrian empire established by Nimrod, the first king (endured 233 years) | 2198 |
| 3. | God gave ten laws to Moses | 2513 |
| 4. | The Medes' empire established (endured 205 years) | 3254 |
| 5. | The Babylonian empire established | 3254 |
| 6. | The Persian empire established by Cyrus | 3442 |
| 7. | The Greek empire established by Alexander the Great | 3678 |
| 8. | The Parthian empire established (Destroyed by Artaxerxes, after Christ, 226). | 3748 |
| 9. | The birth of Christ (called the VULGAR Era) about | 4000 |

| | | AFTER CHRIST |
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| 10. | The Roman empire endured 1163 years, and fell in | 410 |
| 11. | Pope Vitalian ordered Latin prayers | 666 |
| 12. | The Pope Leo IX. first kept an army | 1054 |
| 13. | The Pope Gregory VII. forbade marriage | 1076 |
| 14. | The crusade commenced A.D. 1096, and ended in 1290, after 194 years' *holy war*, under 35 popes. | |
| 15. | The Restoration in England | 1688 |
| 16. | The French Revolution | 1789 |
| 17. | Napoleon plundered Rome twice 1798. | 1808 |
| 18. | Non-residence of clergymen authorized in England | 1802 |
| 19. | The British and Foreign Bible Society established | 1804 |
| 20. | The Trinity allowed to be impugned openly in London | 1813 |
| 21. | A British guard of honour attended the pope's restoration at Rome | 1814 |
| 22. | The Test Act repealed, requiring magistrates to attend sacraments | 1828 |
| 23. | The new *Brunswick* theatre fell in a moment | 1828 |
| 24. | Idolators declared equal to Protestants, 4 April* | 1829 |
| 25. | The pope died 10 Feb. | 1829 |
| 26. | The Turkish empire has endured about 1245 years, or 82 longer than the Roman did, and must fall soon. | |
| 27. | The age of the world, about 5830 years. | |

* Two hundred and fifty-two popes have reigned. Pius VIII. now reigns. Windsor and Windsor Castle were twice in darkness for want of *gas lights*, according to public report, during the progress of Mr. Peel's bill, which the king's Attorney General pronounced in parliament to be the *death* warrant of the church. The gas pipes have been removed from the castle, and wax lights restored.



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Let wicked kings and princes die like Herod, and the earth be purged and purified.

Let Christians praise God's holy name, who brings *good* out of *evil;* but it is wrong to imagine (as millions do at this day) that *Christ cannot accomplish his victory* over all his enemies, nor deliver his faithful servants, *without coming personally to reign* on earth to fulfil his gospel, *who can do all things by one word!!!*

It is blasphemy to imagine Christ must enter this world again, *visibly in person* (except as a judge of the quick and dead), for he declared, when he ascended into heaven, that he would return in like manner from the right hand of God, where he ever liveth (as man's mediator of the new covenant), to make intercession for us, until the end of the world. His last words upon the cross (when Barabbas the murderer was delivered by the Jews) proclaimed, "*it is finished,*" at the moment he gave up *the ghost.* "One of the soldiers, with a spear, pierced his side, and forthwith came thereout *blood and water.*" John xix.—Blood and water, O what awful signs! "*It is finished.*" It is finished indeed, but millions are still, like Jews, looking *for universal signs and fresh miracles.* Sin is so deeply rooted in human nature, that the world's last errors are greater than the first, and will, at length, draw down *a deluge of fire* to consume the creation; that final event will *not* happen during *universal* tribulation, but in days of pleasure, like the days of Noah, when the world shall, thirdly and lastly, have relapsed into sin, as it is this day.

How could this occur if Christ personally manifested his miracles *again* now, before the eyes of all the world? But his words cannot change nor fail, who declared, "it is finished." Then, is it not hellish to doubt the words uttered by God, who once suffered, instead of a murderer and robber, to redeem the world from *blood* and hell fire? Amen.

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## CHAPTER V.

### BABYLON *the Great, or* CHRISTENDOM *analyzed and compared.*

HE who runs may read "how great are God's signs, and how mighty his wonders" (*Daniel* iv.); but the second chapter of Daniel expressly alludes to the destruction of idolators (by *universal tribulation*), as revealed by Nebuchadnezzar's dream, or rather Daniel's interpretation, that it must come to pass *in the time of the end;* therefore, Daniel was a favourite of the king.

Nebuchadnezzar beheld a great image, composed of various metals, *gold, silver, brass, clay,* and *iron* (standing *erect* and *firm* in the sight of its worshippers), which was suddenly cast down by a stone, cut out of the mountain, *without hands* (as repeated in the 8 chapter, 25 verse), and all *the composition* of the image was blown away like chaff, while the stone (Christ's spirit) that smote the image became *a great mountain,* and filled the whole earth; for in the days of kings, who shall bear rule over all the earth, shall the God of heaven set up Christ's kingdom, which shall never be destroyed, but it shall consume all those (idolatrous) kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

"The great God hath made known *what shall come to pass hereafter* [all this is about to happen under *the Holy Alliance*] in the latter time of these ten kingdoms, when transgressors are come to the full, who shall destroy [i. e. persecute] the mighty and holy people."—"He [the devil] shall stand up against the Prince of princes, but shall be broken *without hand;* the saints of God shall take and possess the kingdom for ever."

Now, to whom can all this apply but to *all men* opposing the *practice and publication* of the holy *gospel* and the ten

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laws of God, and who, in effect, oppose their circulation (worse than Romish kings, cardinals, and priests) by utterly denying all divine revelations, communion, and inspirations, since Christ.

Christ has given us infallible signs, viz.:—

"This gospel shall be preached [i. e. published] in *all* the world, for a witness unto [and against] *all nations*, and then shall *the end* [of antichrist] come, when ye shall see '*the abomination* of *desolation*' standing in full possession of 'the holy place,' in *all* nations," as we do this day!!!

Since 1802, behold, Christ's prediction is verified, by the actual translation and transmission of the gospel in *all* languages of the world, but we find the *letter dead* till his *spirit* gives life to understand it; otherwise, mortal kings and princes would assume almighty power lodged in their hands instead of Christ's.

Hence decided proof that *the end* is near at hand (not of the world) by printing of the gospel. Is it not a miracle equal to all others?

The hour is come when antichrist exerts his last malice over all who deny the Roman beasts, and *Christian* blood flows in torrents till the beast or devil is in sole possession of the earth, and rides in triumph.

The beast's reign, however, shall be *shortened;* for, "except those days were shortened, there should no *flesh* be saved."

When all (except the elect, in refuge in Goshen, the wilderness) worship human authority ("the abomination of desolation"), standing in "the holy place" of Christ; when the Roman church appears the only *public* religion in Christendom (or *all religion* utterly extinct), and while she considers she has, at last, established her decrees over all mankind, *then* shall Christ's spirit confound them by tribulation, greater than the deluge, as declared by Daniel's last chapter. The beast shall then be like "a wild *bull* in God's net."

"A beast shall rise up out of the sea [or earth] having

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seven blasphemous heads (petty princes), and *ten* kings or *crowned horns!!!* Power shall be given the beast for forty-two months.* He shall have authority over *all* nations." *Rev.* xiii. — He shall make war against all Christians!!!

"These kings shall speak lies *at the same table.*"

"When he [the antichristian beast, or the *abomination of desolation*] shall *scatter* the power of *the holy people,* ALL these things shall be accomplished."—"Woe to a nation *scattered* and PEELED."

Then the inhabitants of the earth will feel "*the abomination of desolation,*" because these marvellous terms clearly notify, and allude to a *universal tribulation* greater than ever was, or ever will be known on earth, which *universal idolatry and blasphemy* drags down from heaven!!!

Instead of forty days' sufferings, there may be forty years' famine, pestilence, fire, &c.; but God hath promised to make a *short work,* and will it not be short in comparison with *eternity?* The offence exceeds description; the day of punishment is beyond the conception of angels!!!

"I will punish the hosts of the high ones, and the kings of the earth *upon the earth.*" Isaiah xxiv.

"You must prophecy again before many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings." *St. John* x.

I hope this book will be translated into every language, and follow the Bible.

* This has been fulfilled, at *several periods of history,* in *several* countries. The Sabbath was abolished in France, and kept every *tenth,* instead of every *seventh* day, from Sept. 1792 to March 1796, or 42 months, vide *Rev.* xiii.

"There is no man that hath left house, brethren, sisters, father, mother, wife, children, or lands, for Christ's sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundred fold now, *in this time,* houses, brethren, mothers, children, and lands, with persecution; and in the world to come, *eternal* life." *Mark* x. 29.

"The [unchristian] brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son. Children shall rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death."—"Whosoever killeth you, will think he doeth God service."

All these barbarities occurred about forty years past, in France; and children were massacred (as Herod once did) under Barras, Robespierre, and Marat, whose histories are offered as solemn warnings to Europe.

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"No doctor will extract a tooth,
No harlots exercise their trade,
No parsons preach eternal truth,
Except their labours be well paid."*

O, ye proud doctors, lawyers, &c. expending *thousands in grand banquets*, concerts, balls, &c. while brethren lack daily bread, ye shall die on dunghills, unpitied, and in want of *penny loaves*. You are devils incarnate.

I repeat, penny loaves shall be more precious than your sovereigns, and sovereigns shall not command bread.

If such monsters escape famine, they meet pestilence; if they escape pestilence, they shall be overtaken by the sword; and if they escape war, they shall shoot, poison, hang, or drown themselves in despair.

"Wine and women take away the heart." Heathens' houses shall become dunghills, or houses and lands be confiscated. Emigrants will swarm away from lions, and meet bears. Thousands will desire to emigrate in vain.

"The *ox* knoweth his owner, and the *ass* his master's crib, but my *people* do not know me, saith the Lord God." Man is declared worse than brutes. Men hunt men to death; they hunt every beast, even innocent elephants and whales.

Prepare then for judgment. Behold the bridegroom cometh to the marriage supper. Marriage on earth is the highest happiness. What must be the happiness of Christ's marriage with Christians? Scoffers cry out, "where is the promise of Christ's coming," in open confirmation of the prophecy, as an express warning against it; but "some have eyes, and see not; ears, and hear not."

In the midst of *universal tribulation* among sinners, Christ whispers to his servants, "*see that ye be not troubled.*" Mark the 7 verse of the last chapter of Da-

* Written at the Old Bailey, by a criminal, during the funeral sermon, *on the pew*, the day before his execution.

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niel, in answer to the question, "how long shall it be to the end of these wonders?" when the most positive answer is given, and confirmed by an *oath*, viz.:—

"When he [the devil or antichrist] shall have accomplished to *scatter* the power of the holy people, *all these things* shall be accomplished."—"Woe to a nation *scattered and* PEELED." *Isaiah* xviii.

"But Daniel, *the beloved of God*, heard, but *understood not;*" he was ordered to "*shut up the words, and seal the book,* EVEN *to the time of the end* .... when many run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased," as witness the translations and missions of the gospel from England to all parts of the earth. O, now are the words *revealed,* so that he may read who runs; and, therefore, the time of the end is surely come.

We see antichrist has seized England (the last Christian standard), hurried onwards to perdition, devoted to tribulation. Antichrist must reign there, and then his reign will be over *all* Christendom; none will dare oppose him, for *Christians* shall suffer martyrdom three years and a half, during which time he (antichrist) will *scatter* the power of the holy people; and this being, *this day,* accomplished in England and *Christendom,* all these prophecies shall also be accomplished. Mark, Christians will be *scattered,* not all destroyed, and are cautioned to flee into the *mountains* or asylums appointed by Christ, their invisible protector, who will warn all believers by dreams, as he did *Joseph,* or lead them *naturally* away, and preserve them like the apple of his eyes. In order to understand, pray. Read and compare the seventh chapter of Daniel, with John's thirteenth chapter, viz.:—

"These four great *beasts* are four *kings;* three have fallen." St. John's revelations exactly correspond with, and illustrate Daniel's dreams and visions.

One of "*the beast's seven heads* was wounded almost to death; but his *deadly* wound was healed, and *all the world* wondered after *the beast.*"

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"The fourth beast [the *last*, thank God] came up out of the earth or sea (with seven heads, and ten crowned horns), causing the people to worship *the beast*, whose deadly wound was healed, which he had received by a *sword*, and did live."

Rome received a deadly wound, *by swords*, when her great empire was overthrown by barbarians, A.D. 410. She lost her power *to rule*, but raised another *to delude* Christendom, by which she lives, making merchandize of people, under the banners of Christ in one hand, and mammon in the other.*

Napoleon also gave THE BEAST'S BULLS a *deadly wound* by the sword, but Napoleon and *Christendom* restored Rome, and caused the world to worship the beast again.

"The dog is returned to his vomit, and the sow to wallow in the mire."

*Christendom* consists of *ten kings*, and seven blasphemous heads, or petty princes, and states, and God knows who they are all well; so, this prophecy is literally fulfilled in our days, particularly by *the pope's first bull* against *Bible Societies*, issued from Rome, 29 June, 1816, by Pope Pius VII. to the Archbishop of Gnezn, primate of Poland, published at London, 10 April, 1817, in "The Times." No thanks to Russia, Prussia, Austria, &c. for this *Holy Alliance*. Here we see the council of Trent renewed as soon as the beast revived. The 24 and 25 chapters of Matthew's gospel appear worthy of profound devotion, for they relate expressly to these events *in our days!* God said, when he made the sun, moon, and stars, "let them be for signs and for seasons."

In a short essay on the origin of the constellations, published in 1802, alluded to by the Rev. Peter Roberts, A.M. in his "Manual of Prophecy," published in

* St. Peter's cathedral at Rome was built by Julius II. who was born 1440, and died 1513, consequently, that magnificent structure is only about 350 years old, and will stand till God destroys it very soon, like Solomon's temple.

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1818, he remarks on the 30 verse of the 24 chapter of Matthew: —

"Then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven, and then shall *all* the *tribes* of the earth mourn."

Mr. Roberts says (p. 108), "I observed that the *constellation*, bearing the name 'HERCULES,' is, in fact, *a sign* of the Son of Man in the heavens, for the figure is that of a *man*, whose heel is on the head of a *serpent*, and in whose hands is a club, with which he seems ready to kill it!!! I did not then, nor do I now dare to say more of the discovery of its signification, *certainly not even hinted at by any writer* before, than that there now evidently appears *a sign* of the Son of Man in the heavens. I do not say it is *the* sign. How deeply the earth has mourned since 1802, needs no illustration."

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The people have been church merchandize nearly 1260 years in Christendom, or devildom, according to true historians, viz.: —

"Paschase Rabert, Religieux de Corbie qui vivait au neuvieme siècle a été le premier (dans son livre) qui a enseigné la conversion des substances du pain et du vin et la présence réelle du corps de Jésus Christ dans l'Eucharistie."

Voyez "Réponse au livre de Mr. Arnaud, intitulé '*la Perpétuité de la Foi del' Eglise Catholique*, touchant l'Eucharistie défenduë,'" par Jean Lucas de Rouen, 1671.

"A.D. 963 Oton de Saxe ou Oton le Grand vint en Italie et la subjuga par ses Armes—après quoi il assembla un petit Concile d'Evêques, où il déposa le pape Jean XII. quoiqu'il fut d'une maison illustre et tres puissante à Rome, parceque outre qu'il avait été créé àl'âge de 18 ans, il déshonorait le pontificat par des Adultéres, des parjures, &c. Oton se fit céder par les romains et par Leo VIII. qu'il avait mit à la place de Jean, le pouvoir, de créer le Pape jusqu'à 1001, pendant, 36 ans.

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" Aprés tànt de Papes depuis 1076 a l' an 1150 avaient employé les Excommunications, les conspirations, les révoltes et fait perdre la vie à tant de millions d'hommes, pour ôter aux princes la collation des Evêchés, et en donner l'élection aux chapitres — tout au contraire Pie II. et 5 de ses successeurs, ont combattu, pour ôter cette élection aux chapitres de France et la donner au Roi comme fit enfin Leo X. Tant il est vrai qu'on change de Doctrine et de Créance, selon qu' on change d' intérets.

" Enfin Henri V. ayant tant d' affaires sur les bras (A. D. 1122), renonça aux Investitures, par où finit une querelle, qui ayant duré 56 ans, sous six Papes, avait fait excommunier un nombre infini de Gens Ecclésiastiques et séculiers qui soutenaient l' Empereur Henri et fit périr des millions d'hommes de part et d'autre, en 60 batailles données par Henri, le pére et en 18 faites par Henri, le fils."

" Quant au pontificat Romain, il sembloit, qu' aprés l'exclusion de l'Empereur l'election dût retourner au peuple, mais Pape Innocent II. ayant été chassé de Rome par les romains, leur ota en revanche le droit d'élire le pape." (Ex Traité des Benefices par *Frà Paolo*, en Italien.)

Comme tout le temporel que l'Eglìse posséde vient des Aumônes et des Oblations des Fidéles — de même dans l'ancien testament, la Fabrique du Sanctuaire fut toute faite d' Aumônes et d' Offrandes. Mais ceux qui avaient la Direction de cette Œuvre, voyant que le peuple continuoit encore de donner, aprés avoir offert tout ce qu'il falloit, ils dirent a Moise — " *le peuple* donne *plus qu'il n'est necessaire,*" Moïse publia un ordre de ne plus rien offrir pour le Sanctuaire, parceque ce qu'on avait été donné, suffisait et même surabondait.* Par où il se voit que Dieu ne veut rien de superflu dans son temple, et si dans le vieux testament qui etait mondain, Dieu ne vouloit pas

* Vide 36 Exodus. " Quotidie manè vota populus offerebat. Unde artifices venire compulsi dixerunt Moysi : ' plus offert populus, quam necessarium est.' Jussit ergo Moyses præconis voce cantari : nec vir nec mulier, quidquam offerat ultra in opere Sanctuarii — eo quod oblata sufficerent et superabundarent."

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que tout allât à ses ministres, il le veut encore moins dans le nouveau. Mais ou se termineront les acquisitions des Eclésiastiques—quand diront-ils, "le peuple a donné plus qu'il ne nous faut?"

Les Ministres du temple qui faisaient la treiziéme partie du peuple, ne pouvaient reçevoir, ni posséder autre chose que les Dixmes: les nôtres qui en sont à peine la centiéme, tiennent peutêtre deja plus que la quatriéme partie des Biens. Il n'est pas juste que les Eclésiastiques acquiérent à l' infini et que tout le monde soit réduit à ne plus rien tenir qu' à ferme."

Let sceptics read the last chapter of Malachi, upon tithes, and see how well DEVILS assume to be SAINTS!!! Do not thousands smile at the prophecies of Luke's 17 chapter, though that day and night is at hand?

Then will the wicked be separated from *Christians*, by *electric fluids* or thunderbolts, the agents of God!!!

Do we not behold a *general spirit pervading all the earth*, denying peace and content among princes, priests, and people, ever since Napoleon's reign? by his hand God shook the earth, and it still continues to shake fatally in *Spain, Portugal, Greece, Italy, Germany, Holland, Poland, Russia*, and *Prussia*. The *Turkish, Popish, and Grecian empires* stand in jeopardy every hour; and what can their downfalls produce, but "a *preparation of the way of* THE KINGS OF THE EAST." Now the sixth vial is poured out; the sixth trumpet sounded; the sixth thunder is heard, and the sixth plague felt. Several shocks of earthquakes have lately happened at Rome. I expect it must fall like Sodom and Gomorrah. Great Babylon must also sink in the *dead sea*. "Ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky, but how is it ye do not discern these times?"

Snow fell at St. Ildefonso, 29 Aug. 1829 (a SATURDAY'S moon); and on 12 Sept. 1829, the king of Spain fell lifeless during 20 minutes, while on his knees at church, but was recovered, after copious bleeding, upon the spot. He



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was on the eve of his third or fourth marriage. His last wife died *suddenly*, like the emperor and empress of Russia.

Has not Europe been deluged with blood for nearly 40 years? Has not Spain, where the king's title is, "*Most Christian Majesty*," and his heir styled "the Prince of Peace," been deeply convulsed ever since 1808? Have not dreadful earthquakes happened in Spain, in *Murcia*, in 1829, worse than ever was experienced there, in numbers, if not in destructive effects? Why, and how stand Portugal and Greece in jeopardy? What are these but divine warnings and signs against nations, robbing Christ of his titles and honour; and while they prostrate, *adore*, and deck the VIRGIN MARY as *mother of God*, with rich silk embroidered *petticoats*, &c. would not the time and treasure of foreign princes and nobles be better employed in secret alms to the widows, orphans, and poor, blind, sick, and lame?

Why is time consumed in continual penance, or people enjoined to fast and pray, in vain repetitions, which can never work self-righteousness, except sought in Christ alone, and all honours paid him as the Saviour?

The publican's prayer was accepted, "*O Lord be merciful to me* a sinner," because uttered with sorrow and sincerity of heart, rather than the Pharisee's, who relied upon his regular weekly alms, tithes, prayers, and fasts, for self-righteousness, although no man but Christ ever fulfilled God's ten holy laws.

It is enough for man to suffer patiently *all the unavoidable natural* evils he is exposed to, with resignation repentance, and faith in Christ, for deliverance; for man is exposed to troubles *innumerable*, sickness, disease, &c. as sparks fly upwards. It is quite enough to bear the daily *trials and crosses* of this wicked world.

It is computed, that one soul enters this world, and another departs this life every moment, according to the population of the world, rated at 800 or 1000 millions of

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souls. There is no idleness in heaven, where disembodied souls appear every moment before Christ Almighty. The reader's or the writer's soul may be the next summoned. How awful, if unprepared! We must give account for every idle word before Christ's bar, where unbelievers will be condemned by their conscience, or struck speechless. It will be hell indeed to dwell in darkness, if we forfeit Christ's salvation, and are exiled for ever from heaven.

Even if the sun be withdrawn, this world would become hell, as it was before the sun was created, for it was void and without form when the devil was cast down from heaven (*before the creation*), while the spirit of God moved upon the waters, as it does still, by the regular floods and ebbs. Remember the divine signs and warnings in France, &c.:—

The pope's effigy was burnt at Paris during the Revolution, 1791.

Napoleon plundered Rome, 11 Feb. 1798, and defeated Pius VI. who died in France, 19 Aug. 1799.

Napoleon was crowned at Paris by Pius the VII. on 2 Dec. 1804.

The Virgin Mary's statue at St. Eustache, at Paris, was blessed by him, 28 Dec. 1804, which I saw in 1829.

The Virgin Mary's statue at St. Roche, was also blessed by the pope's agent, 1 March, 1805.

Napoleon plundered Rome the second time, 22 Feb. 1808.

The Emperor Napoleon was excommunicated by the same pope, 11 June, 1809. (Vide p. 69).

The judgments of God are passing abroad, but without producing wisdom at home.

"*Behold, fire, hail, snow, vapours, winds, and storms, fulfilling God's word.*" Psalm cxlviii. 8.

On 15 May, 1828, during great mass at *Maisoncelles-le-Jourdan*, near Vire, in Calvados, when all the people were assembled, at half-past ten in the morning, a thunderbolt struck the church steeple, and demolished a part; all the



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congregation were struck down, and two hundred hurt; eleven died, and among them Mr. *Maisoncelles*, the mayor.

On 15 June, 1828, another thunderbolt struck the belfry of the church of Beaumont-le-Vicomté, when the procession had just entered; it threw down the weather-cock, entered the church, and killed one person.

The 21 June, 1828, at seven in the morning, a bolt struck the steeple of North Bierne, destroyed the weather-cock and iron cross, and upset the fountains of holy water.

The 29 June, 1828, thunder fell upon the church of Bourbriac, near Guingamp.

On 8 Sep. 1828, at eight in the evening, a violent storm fell upon the city of Tours, and occasioned great loss of trees, vines, &c.

The church of Chaveignes was destroyed, the bell was melted, and traceless. Shocks of earthquakes were felt at Bruxelles, 23 Feb. 1828; also at Namur and Dunkerque, Avesnes, &c. On 3 Dec. 1828, at Aix-la-Chapelle. In July, at Caen.

How can France be a *Christian* land, where duellists openly murder each other, before assembled crowds, without fear of God or man? The scavengers remove rubbish in carts from the streets of Paris on *Sundays*, but never do it upon Roman saint days, appointed by popes.

Between 21 Sep. 1792 and 25 Oct. 1795, there were eighteen thousand six hundred and thirteen persons guillotined in France. A dictionary register is printed, containing the victims' names, filling one thousand octavo pages. Robespierre was publicly worshipped, 8 June, 1794, and executed 29 July following. Sundays or Sabbath-days were abolished, and tenth days kept, during 42 months. This, I repeat (vide p. 59), fulfilled *Rev.* xiii. 5. *literally*, in the most extraordinary manner, 1734 years after John saw and wrote the visions in the isle of Patmos, A. D. 96. Here is the finger of the Son of God.

*Death by torture* is the old *French law*, revived against all who *deface graven images* in churches, by Lewis XVIII.

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if newspapers speak truth. The French cry *encore*, as do the English, at great performances.

Behold, God mercifully spared Paris while threatened from *Montmartre*, by Russians, Austrians, and Prussian canons; but he will not spare all its abominations much longer. The English enter into Parisian depravities at much cheaper rates than London, which tempt emigrants.

All Europe is infected with blasphemers and idolators, anxious to sink all religion, rather than suffer what they do.

The gospel is not allowed to be imported into France, except the *Roman edition!* All books against the pope are also prohibited on the Continent. Dr. *Troy's* Irish Bible resembles the beast rising out of the sea, to reign 42 months. This new Bible, and the subjoined excommunication, are curious modern specimens.

" *Pie VII. à l'Empereur des Français, Rome*, 11 *Juin*, 1809.

" Par l' autorité du Dieu tout puissant, des saints Apôtres Pierre et Paul, et par la Nôtre. Nous declarons que vous et tous vos co-opérateurs, d' apres l' attentat que vous venez de commettre, vous avez encouru *l' Excommunication* dans laquelle (selon la forme de nos Bulles apostoliques, qui dans des occasions semblables, s' affichent dans les lieux accoutumés de cette ville) nous declarons être tombés tous ceux qui depuis la derniere Invasion violente de cette Ville qui eut lieu le 22 fevrier del'annèe dernière, ont commis, soit dans Rome, soit dans l' etat écclésiastique, les attentats contre lesquels nous avons reclamé, non seulement dans le grande nombre de protestations faites par nos secretaires d' Etat, qui ont été successivement remplacés, mais encore dans nos deux allocations des 14 Mars et 11 Juillet 1808. Nous declarons également excommuniés tous ceux qui ont été les mandataires, les Conseilleurs, etc."



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BUONAPARTE'S EXCOMMUNICATION TRANSLATED.

*Pope Pius VII. to the Emperor of France,* 11 June, 1809.

By the Authority of Almighty God, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our Authority !!!

We declare that you, and all your co-operators, have, by your outrages, incurred *excommunication,* in which (according to the form of our apostolical bulls, affixed upon similar occasions, in the usual places of this city) we declare all those to have fallen, who, since the last violent invasion of this city, on the 22 Feb. 1808, have committed outrages in Rome, or our ecclesiastical state, against which we have frequently protested, not only by our secretaries of state, who have been successively replaced, but by both our decrees, dated 14 March, and 11 July, 1808. We declare equally excommunicated all commanders and counsellors of Napoleon.*

Napoleon answered this Romish excommunication by seizing the pope, on 7 July, 1809, and keeping him a prisoner at Fontainebleau, as he deserved, for blaspheming the name of God.

In 1810, Napoleon married Maria Louisa, an Austrian princess, after having extorted a divorce from the pope against Josephine.

Hence may be dated and ascribed all the misfortunes of Napoleon, who marched with nearly a *million of warriors* to Moscow, who nearly all perished by *fire and frost;* nevertheless, Napoleon escaped back to Paris, but all his allies shook off his yoke, and Napoleon then made a covenant in favour of the pope, commonly called *a concordat;* but God deserted Napoleon, because Napoleon deserted God, who struck a terrible *panic* into the French army in

* Popes and cardinals drink rare wine called lachrymæ Christi, or tears of Christ. How blasphemous !

" In the vatican are two superb candelabras presented by Napoleon (on his marriage) to the pope. At the elevation of the host (in profound silence) all present fall prostrate to the earth.

" The cardinals chat afterwards with pretty women, whom they are forbidden to marry by Pope Gregory VII."—*Ex Lady Morgan's Italy.*

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the *evening;* and while the English and French thought the *battle* ended, at eve on 18 June, 1815, it was suddenly renewed by the Prussians in the night, with a dreadful havoc and carnage, which overthrew *Napoleon, like Pharaoh,* although all the powers of Christendom had acknowledged the French republic and empire, by twenty-three treaties. "The Lord hath purposed it to bring ALL *the honourable* of the earth into contempt." *Isaiah.*

How vain are all human laws if made in opposition to the Almighty standard, offered for the peace and happiness of all men. "There is no king can be saved by the multitude of a host." Napoleon survived to confess his apostacy and disgrace, in exile, at St. Helena, viz. "It (the concordat) was consecrated by Pope CHIARAMONTI, in the famous *concordat of Fontainebleau,* in spite even of my disasters at MOSCOW. From that time I intended *to exalt the pope* beyond measure; to surround him with grandeur and honour. I should have made an IDOL of him. I should have governed both the *religious* and *political world"!* EX LAS CASES' Journal, vol. iii. p. 214.

Serious readers are here invited to refer to Chapter IV. page 46, there to see how all Christendom have been cajoled between the pope and Napoleon, who both assumed divine authority, in the most blasphemous manner, to render the gospel (if possible) subservient to their mutual tricks, ambition, and caprice!!!

"God is a discerner of men's hearts and thoughts," and here we have a most *marvellous instance,* if mankind were not perfect dunces in God's school. Napoleon and Chiarimonti are both gone, where they will be rewarded according to their works. Alas!*

Ancient and modern revolutions and histories lose their effects. Revolutions begin and end in blood generally.

* Here we see the two RINGLEADERS of the battle of ARMAGEDDON against JERUSALEM, in which all Christendom, or devildom, is this day engaged, consisting of two hundred million people, called locusts, according to *Rev.* ix. Serious readers are invited to refer to Chapter II. where JERUSALEM is proved to mean CHRIST and his gospel. Yea, all Europe is up in arms against God, who will scatter his enemies as dust forthwith.



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"The heart of man is desperately wicked and deceitful above all things." Man could never have penetrated Napoleon's *secret will;* but he survived, to prove his fate was just, at the hands of God, to die, exiled from his wife and child, away from the scenes where he had acted, insensibly, as God's scourge against idolators.

Historians will hand the truth down to Christians, who must "*beat their swords into ploughshares,*" and hail the *Millenium* of universal paradise restored on earth, for God can never allow satan's to exceed Christ's kingdom in *number*. Hence, infants, snatched from this world, are members in heaven, doubtless exceeding the number of old and hardened sinners, who die without repentance, or considering Christ's salvation worth asking for. Alas!

While I have travelled above three years from *Genesis to Revelation* to discover exactly *who and what* "*the* BEAST" *is,* I find the beast proclaims himself as clearly as any doctors or legislators having large brass door-plates, or publicans with large signs!!!

Rome will surely sink, like Sodom and Gomorrah, very soon, with all princes, priests, and people, who support "the *abomination of desolation.*" Heathens were never worse than Christians now.

Mr. Robert Fleming published a book in 1701, which was republished in 1793, when the editor added a most wonderful and horrible thing in Christendom, which has inoculated England *, viz.: —

"The title which the popes of Rome have assumed, and caused to be inscribed over the VATICAN door, exactly makes the number 666, when decyphered according to the *numerical* and literal amount of the letters composing their title." Vide lege et crede.

* I have to thank a particular friend who providentally lent me that book just in time for the press, it being most *momentous* to all who wish to escape the pit into which every heathen must soon go down ALIVE, with the beast.

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**which, added, form the number 666, or DCLVVIIIIII.**

"Here is wisdom. Let him who hath understanding count the number of THE BEAST, for it is the number of a man, and his number is 666." *Rev.* xiii.

Hence there is no doubt the pope is the monster or beast, and, as if to fulfil Christ's prophecy, it is stuck up over the door, who said, "Eyes have they and see not, ears have they and hear not:" in other words, it is both questionable and prophetic. *Have they eyes* and see not? have they *ears* and hear not? Ecce homo.

In the nineteenth century Christendom falls into idolatry, in spite of the clearest "*testimony of Jesus, which is the spirit of prophecy,*" therefore is she unpardonably guilty, and will surely be swallowed up quick, before 1832 or 1848; but who can tell what a day may bring forth?

In 1564 the pope added twelve articles to our Christian creed, of twelve articles, so they have doubled the number, and confounded *the original* creed so artfully that millions are deceived daily.

"The beast—*mystery—Babylon the Great—the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth—the great whore,*" has seven heads and ten horns (as spoken of by Daniel) stamped with blasphemy continually.

There are also two other most *wonderful and horrible things* committed in Christendom by princes, priests, and people. First, the Jews acknowledge the OLD Testament, especially *Daniel's prophecy*, without seeing that Christ is come. Second, the papists believe the divinity of the NEW Testament and Revelation, without seeing how unchristian their church is.

While I wonder at the blindness of the Jews and papists, in these respects, I admire God's wisdom in making use of them all to confirm the old prophecies, rendering

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them standing monuments of the *old and new covenant* prophecies, or infallible landmarks and compasses!!!

Romish popes and priests profess to live in celibacy, in direct opposition to the laws of God and nature.

Pope Gregory VII. A. D. 1076, forbade priests' marriage, after 300 years' contention, by his predecessors, for that point. A greater abomination cannot exist against God.

"A priest shall not take a wife that is a *whore* or profane, neither a woman put away from her husband, for he is holy unto God. He shall take a wife in her virginity. The daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire." *Lev.* xxi.

Here are the reasons why Romans conceal original Bibles, which Christ commands us to search. Having convicted popes of one great error, I could convict them of scores, which Romans admire, but if one fails, scores fail. On 15 March, 1830, the pope held a secret consistory in the vatican, and nominated nineteen bishops for all parts of the world. He appointed three cardinals, and intends to make eight more. The pope appointed B. Fenwick, of Maryland, a Roman Catholic bishop of Boston, in America (vice Dr. Taylor); consecrated 1 Nov. 1825.

At Perpignan, a meteor, equal to *a full moon*, lately passed from east to west over the town, and exploded like thunder, at the end of its course, according to *printed* reports; but what reliance can be placed on newspapers?

The press has contributed more to the delusion and depravity practised in the nineteenth century, than will ever be by many discovered till too late, I fear. I sent the title of this book to nearly all the religious magazines, but it is not inserted by one editor in the usual catalogue.

"Via ad bonos mores nunquam sera est," appears a false maxim. If the world followed popes and priests, the laws of God and man would be annihilated.

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"In the last days perilous times shall come. Men shall be selfish, proud, covetous, blasphemers, boasters, disobedient to parents, unnatural, truce breakers, false accusers, incontinent, despisers of good men, *traitors*, having *a form of godliness*, but denying the power thereof; *from all such turn away*" [*O, Christians*]. Timothy.*

"The slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth; they shall not be lamented, nor gathered, nor buried; they shall be as dung on the ground." *Jer.* xxv.

"Their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as dung. Shall women eat their fruit, children a span long? The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance of the Lord." "Separate yourselves from this [heathen] congregation, that I [Christ] may consume them in a moment." *Numb.* xvi. 21.

All Christendom cry *peace, peace;* but God's signal is given, that "when kingcraft, priestcraft, and people cry '*peace* and *safety*,' then cometh *swift destruction*." 1 *Ep. Thess.* v. 3. We see this fulfilled NOW; for after fourteen years' peace PROCLAIMED in Europe, Mahomet's fleet is suddenly annihilated by his three *Christian* allies, and his dominions invaded by Russia in the east!!

"The defenders of the faith" are altogether confounded. The Roman, Jewish, and Turkish defenders of the faith are all active and alarmed. Christendom, alias devildom, may be invaded and destroyed, like rotten Greece and Turkey, without *unanimity*, which is naturally impossible. Churches and empires divided cannot stand.

* It is reported there are above 13,000 cotton weavers, &c. at and near Huddersfield, receiving, on an average, the miserable pittance of two pence halfpenny a day.

The debt's our millstone, running round;
The *rich* escape, the *poor* are ground. ED.

The poors' rates are about eight millions, collected annually.

Six or seven millions are deposited in savings banks, by poor servants, &c. giving proofs of prosperity and folly.

Forty millions are locked in Chancery, for the benefit of posterity, while I know many suitors starving, alas!

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Nearly 6000 years men have been called by millions of miracles, to execute CHRISTIAN peace, *mercy, truth,* and *justice;* but Christians, Romans, Turks, and Jews, prefer cruel wars, falsehood, and injustice towards their brethren, and will not hear the voice of *conscience,* even the *charmer,* Christ.

There is more confusion between men about FAITHS, than there was at *Babel!* Therefore, divine majesty must remove blasphemers, liars, gluttons, drunkards, adulterers, fornicators, oppressors, warriors, misers, slanderers, extortioners, usurers, &c. by every angry element, in order to restore paradise to *human nature* (like Adam and Eve, in original innocence), for Christ will write his laws in every heart, and then all will be perfectly alive, equal *to Adam's resurrection from the dead,* as appears promised to all *prodigal* sons and daughters. This glorious change is at hand, even at the door, as Christ told all his *disciples* how they might KNOW it.

Let infidels destroy infidels till the earth be purged and purified, and no man left alive unwilling to beat swords into ploughshares, and spears into pruning hooks; and then succeeding generations "*shall learn war no more.*"

> "Behold rich bishops; how priests play their parts,
> *Christians* by name, but *heathens* in their hearts;
> *All saints* in office, *misers* in their plan;
> Some slaves at court, sometimes the *lady's man.*" COWPER.

*Murray's* "Sermons to Asses, Doctors, and Ministers of State," contain gospel lessons cast like pearls before swine. Magna est veritas et prevalebit.* Murray's prose exceeds Cowper's Poems.

* "We can safely aver, that over the morals and religion of young men, who go to Cambridge from school, there is no other check than what may arise from the deficiency of money or credit. Chapel is a bugbear, and a mockery to the pious. Divinity lectures are sleepy forms.

"After a time, students, who intend to assume holy orders, draw up a little on the eve of it, and assume more regular and serious habits.

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The Turkish empire totters down after 1245 years reign. The Roman empire fell 1163 years after it began.

The Holy Alliance feels its old desires to save Turkey; but finds *Christendom* unable or unwilling to march.

The Russians expelled about 400,000 *Jews* from Russia in 1828, and now open the gates of Jerusalem * by overthrowing Constantinople.

Where is Christian mercy, truth, or justice, executed in Christendom according to the law or gospel?

This is the *second* stormy rainy summer, threatening harvests; but men say, "*seed time and harvest shall never fail,*" under our agricultural system of perfection !!†

Seed *time* and harvest *time* has never failed, and never will fail; but *seeds* and *harvests* have often failed. *Seed* may rot under the clods, or harvests fail; but the seasons or *time* to sow and reap shall never fail.

> "Crowns have their compass; histories have dates;
> Triumphs have tombs; fortunes follow fates."

"O Lord, give me neither poverty nor riches."

"The worship of idols is the beginning, the cause, and end of all evil."

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"We know their common occupations are beastly drinking, low amours, cat-hunts, dog-fights, tandem-driving, and billiards.

"Let all who talk about Carmarthen-street, walk up and down Cambridge in the evening; let them follow the half-drunk students to Barnwell, a village colonized by crowds of women of ill-fame.

"Let them watch lurking students, fellows and masters of arts, about tradesmen's doors, waiting in the dusk for their prey, &c. Then pursue them into the fields near the venerable university," &c.—*Spectator*.

* Mr. Buckingham's travels in Palestine, in 1815, are most instructive in our *vulgar* era, exhibiting the depravity of human nature, and "*abomination of desolation* standing in the holy place."—"There is not a sin in the world uncommitted by the infidel thieves and Turks, who inhabit Jerusalem."

Walpole's Memoirs of Turkey and Greece are also, at this new era, most instructive.

† The above was written at Equemauville, on SATURDAY, 29 Aug. 1829, (during rural retirement) when there was a NEW MOON and tempests, which stopped the navigation of the Seine for three days.

Moore says, there is another SATURDAY'S MOON, 22 May, 1830. Sailors say, if a *Saturday's moon* comes once in seven years, it comes once to soon!! I fear irreparable damages this year or next, according to Esdras. See p. 78.

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O kings, hearken to Solomon's wisdom, discarded from the Oxford and Cambridge Bibles; though it contains the finest advice and morality!! Yet is this omitted, although God's curse attends all who shall omit or add one word. Solomon wrote 1005 songs; a proof how merry Christians are in their hearts, and that Christians always rejoice on their roads to heaven.

"Love righteousness, O judges of the earth.

"Think of the Lord with a good heart, and seek him.

"The devising of idols was the beginning of *spiritual fornication.*

"They counted life a pastime and market for gain, every way, though it be by *evil* means." *Wisdom of Solomon.*

"Mysteries are revealed unto the meek.

"Strive for the truth unto death, and the Lord shall fight for thee. Have but one counsellor of a thousand.

"Depart from the unjust. Thieves are better than liars. A *new* friend is like *new* wine.

"There is not a more wicked thing than a *covetous* man. One thousand shall flee at the rebuke of *one.*" Eccles.

George III. once said, "*I wish every poor child in my dominions to learn to read the Bible;*" but the rising generation is exposed to poverty — the source of vice. Parents and children, wanting bread, are unable to pay schoolmasters.

*Examine what the prophet* ESDRAS *or Ezra says concerning the Millenium:—*

"Some things shalt thou *publish,* and some things shalt thou show *secretly* to the wise!!"

"They that be in the mountains shall die of hunger, and eat their own flesh, and drink their own blood, for very hunger of bread and thirst of water."

"*Behold victuals shall be so good and cheap* upon earth, that they shall think themselves in good case, and even

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then shall evils grow upon earth*: sword, famine, and great confusion. The dead shall be cast out as dung. A sword is sent upon you; who may turn it back? A fire is sent among you; who may quench it?

"The trees shall bear fruit, but who shall gather them, for ALL places shall be desolate of man? There shall be no man left to till the earth, and to sow it.

"The full storehouses shall soon be found empty.

"Suddenly shall the sown places appear unsown: all the children of men are wicked.

"One land shall ask another, and say, is righteousness gone through thee? and it shall answer, *no*.

"Evil shall be put out, and deceit quenched.

"Faith shall flourish: corruption shall be overcome.

"Truth [the gospel], which hath been so long [1830 years] without fruit, shall be declared. Great is the truth, and stronger than all things, for ever. Blessed be the God of truth. The more thou searchest, the more thou shalt marvel, for the world cannot comprehend the things that are promised to the righteous *in time* to come.

"Be not curious how the ungodly shall be punished, and when; but enquire *how* the righteous shall be saved, whose the world is, and for whom it was created."

Serious readers are here referred to the 12 and 13 Esdras, for beautiful descriptions, corresponding with Daniel and John, forming an *eternal chain* of prophecies.

"Who art *thou*, O great mountain? Why hop ye so ye high hills?" David and Zechariah asked these questions, but I never understood the answer till Sunday, 8 Nov. David alluded to *high-learned* proud *priests*, princes, rulers, and people, who turned like *weather-cocks* from God's laws, and shed torrents of human blood then, as now, to gratify lusts.

* I verily believe if every body had enough to eat there would soon be a scarcity or famine in England, without foreign corn. Half the people appear put on short allowance (like a ship's crew at sea) without any just cause. Corn was worth 40*l.* per load in 1800, and may be soon much scarcer and dearer.

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Again, "*let the hills clap their hands,*" is illustrative how *men* will rejoice during the millenium!!! "If ye have faith, say unto this *mountain* [a heathen] be thou removed, and it shall be cast into the sea." *

Although the gospel is actually published to all the world, there exists, *in Great Babylon,* more confusion among the Bible interpreters than happened in *old Babylon,* when God confounded their language, as I will duly show. There are two hundred million builders of "*Babylon the Great.*"

Extracts from King James's speeches to parliament, 31 March, 1607.—"I will not say any thing I will not promise, nor promise any thing I will not swear; what I swear I will sign; and what I sign I will (with God's grace) ever perform."

Ditto, 20 June, 1616.—"All good kings in their government must imitate God and his Christ, in being just and righteous, for kings sit in the throne of God, and thence all judgment is derived." King James published a book in 1616, well worthy of all Christians' notice.

Let Ferdinand VII., Don Miguel, Charles, Nicholas, Francis, Leopold and Co. ponder over all this, at morn, noon, and night. Ferdinand claims to be king of Jerusalem.

The learned Joseph Mede propounded, that "The prophecy of Daniel was the apocalypse compressed, and the apocalypse, Daniel explicated."

* I certainly have experienced that "he who encreaseth *knowledge* encreaseth [earthly] *sorrow.*"

I wonder not at the world's ignorance of the scripture, for I have often smiled at certain parts, and considered there must have been erroneous translators. Last summer the true interpretations of these curious passages flushed across my mind, but not without having heartily wished above a month to understand their real signification, if any great divine application was intended. I now see they are most beautiful ALLEGORIES, which princes and rulers would never have circulated had they known their real tenor; but none give themselves the trouble to inquire into matters promising no reward.

I thank God, the hour is arrived to understand the Bible, and every word shall be soon well understood by man, for to him it is all addressed. What wonder then if man understand it at last? Why marvel ye at this?

I pray God that every bad mountain may be laid low; for the highest mountain is but as dust in God's scales; what is man? six feet by two at last satisfies the greatest and the least to moulder and rot.

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Sir Isaac Newton agreed with Mede, and affirmed, "John's apocalypse and Daniel's prophecies make but *one* complete prophecy." Sir Isaac did not pretend to understand a word of it, which is not surprising; for, had he searched the Bible properly, he never would have propounded his *solar system,* in opposition to it, like Copernicus, the priest, who died A. D. 1534, the very day his book was printed, as if to mark God's anger. Sir Isaac's death seems to have been marked with many *misgivings;* therefore, I consider the receivers of his system are worse than the *inventor.* It is a vulgar maxim, "*receivers* are as bad as *thieves.*"

The learned philosophers, stoics, doctors, lawyers, scribes, and universities, have crammed the world with researches; but none of them have discovered THE LONGITUDE or philosopher's stone.

God gave the sign of the prophet Jonas (three days and three nights in the whale's belly) to the Jews, who disbelieved it then, exactly like the Gentiles now.

One of the last signs is proclaimed to the Gentiles, by honest humble messengers who expect "the *longitude,*" after all *human* hopes have been abandoned by the abolition of the public reward, long offered in vain by "ALL THE TALENTS." This appears one of Christ's last signals to mark his descent or UNIVERSAL WAR; and, as it is dropt in mercy, O let this generation turn and repent, like the *Ninevites,* or they will perish under "THE MYSTERY OF INIQUITY, the devil, the beast," viz. the pope, and all who are *inoculated* by his accursed practice and doctrine, equally discernible as our right and left hands, i. e. right and wrong!!!

As the Jews, at Christ's birth, blindly expected *a temporal* God to reign, so it happens that the *Gentiles* are also blind at the eve of his great and glorious day of PENTECOST, or *universal peace,* by vainly expecting a *temporal* restoration of the Jews in *Jerusalem,* instead of seeing that JERUSALEM is opened to all Christians. The Jews



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have raised and indulged this notion, till the Gentiles also now expect the same; but, certainly, CHRISTIANS look not to JEWS for true interpretations of Scripture *allegories* and mysteries, seeing how Jews have been once deceived, and remain confounded; therefore, the *last* errors of both Jews and Gentiles are worse than the *first*. "Woe unto ye, fools and blind guides; ye strain at gnats, and swallow camels." Let us examine these points in a separate chapter.

A double miracle appears performed before our eyes!!!

Had both the last harvests been destroyed by the incessant rain and storms, it would have been a NATURAL effect, from a NATURAL cause, but the wheat is generally saved, and the crop as abundant as ever was known!!!

Consequently, the miracle is twofold; yet it is wonderful to see the indifference with which the dispensation is treated. Few, or none, thanking God for *daily bread*, and special mercy once more ordained, apparently to try whether mankind (disobeying the laws) will accept the gospel of salvation before the next vials of death be poured out, at the next sound of the next trumpet.

"*In the last days* I will pour out my SPIRIT upon *all* flesh." *Joel.*

"Lo, I [Christ] am with you always, even *unto the end of the world!*"

"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Here is conclusive declaration that Christ will never reign PERSONALLY, but spiritually, for he is sat down at the right hand of God, the only mediator between God and man; many souls entering and departing the world every minute at births and deaths.

Here is the divine promise of *universal peace*, or universal PENTECOST, beyond what our eyes have seen or hearts conceived; for it will be *the kingdom of* GOD on earth. Christ is both God and man, reconciling the world to himself.

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THE LAST PERSECUTION of Christ's church is, notwithstanding, at hand, throughout Christendom. The Roman Catholics and heathens must reign and prosper A VERY SHORT TIME*; but, now when popery appears firmly re-established over the ruins and blood of all the saints and martyrs; while popes, cardinals, &c. cry "peace and safety," the Lord's spirit shall confound and exterminate every man, woman, and child, who do not accept and obey the gospel.

This evil hour is at hand; the earth must be smote with a curse that shall leave no survivors but real Christians.

The temple must now be purified; the TRADITIONS and *ordinances* of men (the same crime as the Jews) must be abolished, which make the law of God without effect.

Sundays are openly profaned; saint's days kept holy, because the pope ordains it. Alas! "Woe to the inhabitants of the earth."

Christ's character is misunderstood; he is called ALL MERCIFUL, but he is also JUST and TRUE; therefore, he made a scourge, and drove the money changers and dealers out of the temple. This is a sign that he will chastise sinners who defy and deny his power to save or condemn them.

Hear Christ's decree: "All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven, except the sin against *the Holy Ghost;*" which sin, our Lord explains, is *not so much a denial of his divinity,* as a declaration and belief that his miracles were wrought by the power of the DEVIL. "This will never be forgiven in this world, nor the world to come." *St. Mark* iii. 30.

Annanias and Sapphira committed unpardonable crimes by *wilful preconcerted lies* against the Holy Ghost.

I know a *Unitarian,* holding a crown office and mayoralty, who vowed his family should never worship *Joseph, the carpenter's son.* Now, the Gentiles openly and secretly

* "Ten kings receive power as kings *one hour* with the beast." *Rev.* xvii.



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repeat the very denial of Christ, which the Jews committed !!!

Napoleon's reign was "*the beginning of sorrows.*"

"God, who at sundry times and divers places spake unto the fathers, by the prophets, hath *in these latter days,* spoken unto us by his Son."

"The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood."

The doctrine of *the holy and blessed Trinity* has been notoriously blasphemed or impugned since 1813 in *Babylon the Great, Britain.*

Christ is called "the Sun of Righteousness." We see *Christ's gospel* rejected by *Gentiles,* as bad as Christ was himself by JEWS, especially in Christendom.

*The sun* is thus turned into *darkness,* as far as human power can do so. Princes, priests, and people, devise and uphold the most horrid murders, called JUST AND NECESSARY WARS.

"Thou shalt do no murder; do violence to no man; we ought to obey God rather than man."

"The seven *stars* are the *angels* of the *seven* churches." * *Rev.* i.—"The stars shall fall from heaven."

The stars typify church doctors of divinity.† The *church falls divided;* even eight English bishops voted for graven images of Christ and Saint Mary, while the people pray for *war, plunder,* and *destruction,* who have lost all Christian charity!! The people are equally depraved, as canibals or tigers, devouring one another. How often do men imprison, starve, poison, or murder men, worse than wild beasts?

* The seven churches then existing have fallen, but the prophecy attaches to *all churches* serving *God and mammon.* "It is impossible to serve two masters."

† These titles appear as blasphemous as the pope's, for divinity needs no doctors or physicians.

"The *Sun of Righteousness* [Christ] shall arise with *healing* in his wings," as our king, lawgiver, and judge; and what will ye do, in the end, O ye proud doctors and lawyers!

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## CHAPTER VI.

### BABYLON THE GREAT, *and the* BUILDERS.

"WOE to the isles."

The Bible contains histories and prophecies of all things from the first to the last day. The Bible is the true history of kings and nations who obeyed and were blessed; also, nations who disobeyed and were punished for idolatry.

The 18 chapter of the great prophet Isaiah has never been understood, nor interpreted. Certainly, Isaiah did not understand the remarkable words uttered 2588 years ago. Several bishops declare it incomprehensible.

Time appears to have UNSEALED what God meant by a "NATION PEELED." * Such a thing has never been conceived possible, but we have heard of certain victims being *peeled* or flayed alive by the Spanish inquisition; when things are *peeled*, they are ready to be devoured. Alas!

"There is one come out of thee, a wicked counsellor."

"Tidings out of the *east and north* shall trouble him."

"The Lord hath purposed it to bring ALL THE HONOURABLE of the earth into contempt."

"Let them fall by their own counsels." *Psalm* v. 10.

The prophecy is against all apostate princes, priests, and people. As if to stamp it with a divine seal, one (like Judas who betrayed Christ with a kiss) has been *expelled* by covetous priests, adding house to house, and field to field, more apprehensive of losing TITHES, &c. than of God's horrible judgments against *idolatry*. Alas!

* The CORN, CURRENCY, and CATHOLIC bills have all been passed or sanctioned during Peel's administration. The abolition of one pound notes, was called PEEL'S BILL, which became a law on the 5 April, and the Catholic Bill on the 21 April, 1829.

The roads are called *Macadamized*, after the inventor's name, and serve to illustrate the prophecy, to the meanest capacity, more than volumes!!



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"Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light."

*A strange Resolution.* — On Monday, 4 May, 1826, Mr. Hume proposed a resolution in parliament, viz.: —

That between Oct. 1792 and Jan. 1817, the public expenditure exceeded the revenue by about 393,000,000*l.* and loans contracted during that period of 618,000,000*l.* leaving 225,000,000*l.* applicable to the reduction of the national debt.

Whereas little more than 188,000,000*l.* have been paid to the commissioners of the sinking fund, leaving *above* 36,000,000*l.* wholly unaccounted for by his Majesty's ministers.

This stands uncontradicted by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, therefore, we are bound to believe the facts. Then one of two things follow; either this 36 millions have been detournè, i. e. purloined from the exchequer, and applied to corrupt purposes, or else it was never received, and false returns have been made up of the revenue.*

If things be come to this *pass*, we may be quite sure *the end is nigh!*

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Honfleur, 2 April, 1827.

SIRE,

One of your humblest subjects dares approach Your Majesty's throne, according to the irresistible dictates of humanity. Your Majesty's heart would melt in compassion and sorrow if the truth reached Your Majesty's ears, or the sad spectacles of poverty and misery once met Your Majesty's eyes, in cottages where health, peace, and content, were formerly companions of honest industry and hospitality.

Land owners and aristocrats exact *redoubled* rents, while ploughmen and labourers receive not one penny more wages than formerly, although the necessaries of life are thereby much enhanced, and particularly by monopolies in corn!!!

* Ex "*The Times*," 3 July, 1826.

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The project to alter the corn laws in 1827 (after seeing the miseries entailed on the poor since 1815) is full of woe to the *rich* and *poor*, for "worms will turn when thus trodden on," because the price of bread remains equally dear.

To attempt to delineate all existing abuses is utterly impossible, for they surround England like the ocean, and would fill a large library. The chancery is so full that one man is reported to have amassed 1,000,000*l.* !!!

Riches appear to have veiled the eyes of the people, princes, and priests.

The legislative bodies resemble those of Portugal, in hypocrisy, bribery, corruption, &c.

Like Lord Mayor BECKFORD, I think Your Majesty's greatest enemies, and traitors to the country, are those surrounding Your Majesty, to share its revenues, in pensions and sinecures, and, therefore, deceive Your Majesty.

I humbly pray that *truth* may reach Your Majesty at last, and that "*the Almighty*" will let it penetrate to Your Majesty's heart, always compassionate, magnanimous, and generous, to the poor.

The "CORN, CATHOLICS, and CURRENCY," appear three curses of Providence, working miracles by *natural* means.

A *panic* seems to have seized the cabinet, whose system for forty years past has involved the nation in debts and difficulties, without manifesting any Christian disposition to extricate the people.

May Your Majesty dismiss all whigs, tories, and *factious* aristocrats, who have alienated the affections of the *poor* from the *rich*, by a system of aggrandizement and oppression, so that the poor are reduced to turn *thieves* for bread, and may soon become *incendiaries*, and then grand standing armies will be vain protection for guilty oppressors.

How few, except legislators, and their direct and indirect friends, prosper in rich public places and pensions, while nearly all other classes are impoverished to degrees,



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utterly revolting to humanity, while, alas! honest people are doomed to eat PARISH PITTANCES of *bread*, having no longer power to earn common subsistences—*food, fuel,* and *raiment**, for helpless children and wives.

Here are dire symptoms of events that proved fatal to Charles and Louis, the English and French *martyrs.*

The cabinet is divided, and cannot stand; therefore, I have addressed Your Majesty, in hopes that Your Majesty would preserve the *original constitution* in *church* and *state,* the same as the late Duke of York swore to do in *parliament,* and as Your Majesty swore to do in *Westminster Abbey!*

Immediate economy and reform in all departments are the only remedies. No successors ought to be appointed to any *civil, religious, naval,* or *military* offices, in future, except at HALF PRICES; because men of respectable characters and abilities are ready to serve Your Majesty, and to save the country, if possible.

*A decree* to take *half price* yourself, and to reduce all other pensions and salaries (as the incumbents die daily), in the same manner, is the straight road to that public relief and prosperity which Your Majesty and your father always desired to hand down, *unimpaired* to *posterity,* according to many speeches, most graciously delivered from the throne!!!

Another decree (without waiting for public or privy counsellors) to authorize Manchester, Leeds, Brighton, Birmingham, &c. to elect representative members, instead of Old Sarum, and all other depopulated boroughs, would effectually check bribery and corruption, provided actual merits and services met equitable protection!!

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| * Committed for trials in | 1806, | in England and Wales . | 4,346 |
| Do. | 1816, | Do. . . | 9,091 |
| Do. (quadrupled) | 1826, | Do. . . | 16,147 |

The land is monopolized by 22,000 persons.

The next step will be the extinction of religion in Europe.

The king's debts have been twice paid by parliament, 1787 and 1795, the last time before his marriage, 639,890*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*

The diplomatic expences are doubled since the PEACE.

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Such decisive timely measures may save Great Britain from deadly PANICS, anarchy, bankruptcy, and destruction.

I have conceived a project calculated to relieve *half* the poor (if honoured with Your Majesty's commands) without emigration, and cause the poor to bless Your Majesty FOREVER; but, alas, alas! it is quite vain to subscribe 8000*l.* from the droits of admiralty for the *hungry, sick,* and *naked,* while 23,000*l.* is voted for musical gold snuff boxes; 10,000*l.* for one diamond *sword,* and thousands for public pictures, while also millions are squandered for palaces *, &c.

I have the honour to be,

SIRE,

Your Majesty's humble servant,

JOHN BURRIDGE.

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London, 11 April, 1829.

O King, live for ever!

O remember my letter, dated 2 April 1827, and my prophecy from France, that three fatal laws, viz. CORN, CATHOLICS, and CURRENCY, would afflict England before 5 April, 1829, which was fulfilled *one hour* before that very day, by the House of Lords.

As a *Christian,* I send my second *prophecy,* if you sign or consent to admit *Roman* idolators as counsellors, instead of honest reform in church and state, without which, downfall is at hand.

Die in defence of the gospel, and save your faithful subjects from death; thus, your throne shall stand for ever.

* It is a remarkable coincidence, that a few days after this letter ought to have reached Windsor Castle, the old ministry was dissolved, during the Easter holidays, when a new one was formed. Mr. Canning became the premier, and made the following observations on May day, when the commons reassembled, and demanded some explanation (of which, let the public judge), viz.: "Not many *months* ago his Majesty received a letter, from a source to which I cannot and will not allude, most strenuously advising his Majesty to place the government of the country in a state of uniformity, and decided opposition to the Catholic claims."

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I beg leave to send you this awful warning, in God's name, hoping and praying his voice will speak to your heart and conscience in this hour of temptation and trial, so bitter to humble Christians.

I am, &c.

JOHN BURRIDGE.

Accursed be all hands who may vainly attempt to conceal this letter from Your Majesty's eyes.

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How merciful are *rich* men towards *the poor?* who are all permitted to *plough,* to *sow,* and to *reap* the fields of lords and ladies. The poor labour and sweat upon the *cursed* ground early and late, and having housed most abundant harvests of all things (by the blessing of God), the poor are next allowed the *honour* to get the corn *threshed, winnowed, ground,* and *baked;* also to feed rich men's horses, dogs, pigs, poultry, and cattle, with abundance of *oats,* peas, barley, &c. After six days' hard labour, the poor are sent home to rest on "the *seventh day,*" and hear the word of God; if six or seven shillings, to divide with their wives and six or seven children, can provide a week's comfortable *food, fuel, raiment,* and *lodging!*

What a precious day's rest must it be for all such ill-fated creatures? what, but a day to look up and almost doubt (if not blaspheme) their Maker's everlasting wisdom and *mercy,* while seeing their children *half naked and half fed!* what must such poor hearts feel? what must they think when they see the *brute* creation, especially race-horses, and pigs fattened, as they are; fattened to excess, to such excess for hams, bacon, &c. that the animals are actually unable to walk, and nature itself made irksome!! Witness our Smithfield cattle shows. One ox weighed 4480 pounds.

Such human wretches must envy pigs and cattle, under

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such circumstances, or wish they had been pigs and horses to be half so well taken care of.

Is this possible in England? then let unbelievers travel to Ireland; there human creatures are becoming barbarians; whole families having but one room or hovel (hardly fit for English pigs), are living on *potatoes and salt*, much like satyrs. Thousands, by *instinct*, rush in steam boats, at *4d.* each, into England, again to suffer fresh misery, or die in despair.

View the *Duke of Richmond's dog's palace at Goodwood, Sussex*, and a gentleman's near London, lately built for *5000l.*

Our horses and hounds have the finest stables and kennels provided, with all that is necessary, the finest hay, oats, &c. while the poor live in hovels, scarcely wind or water tight, or openly exposed to wintry blasts, ill fed and clothed; obliged to travel barefooted, while horses are provided with capital shoes, and sometimes expressly bred to run races, and often *raced to death* for the sport of idle lords, ladies, and gamesters, whose sole *employments* are to invent *amusements!*

How often have the Duke of York and the nobility travelled on the *Lord's* day, to arrive at Newmarket on Mondays? The cabinet, the Prince of Saxe Cobourg, &c. devote *Sundays* to *grand dinner parties*, &c. after exhibiting in *Hyde Park* cavalcades!!

Amidst such scenes, is there one (even after attending divine service) who would not feel a duel necessary to vindicate his *honour*, if told that he was a miserable sinner, or that such actions proved he did not love God; possibly, he would allege annual subscriptions in favour of Bible Societies; and, perhaps, some would boast that they commenced the blessed work in 1804; and the whole society would probably demand apologies, or expel such a monitor from their future acquaintance. What are the facts?

"If any man say he *loves* God, and *hateth* his brother, he is a MURDERER;" also, "if ye love God, keep his com-

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mandments." If men love one another, they do not let men go *hungry and naked,* nor put men to gaols, but rather give bail or pay the debts, if possible; and real Christians would rather suffer privations than witness a friend's distress.

Again, if men respect the sacred WILLS of the living or dead, they are not forgetful or neglectful, but equally attentive as they who undertake to learn any *art or language,* and devote time and attention to its study with "all their *hearts* and *strength.*"

Now, if all a man's heart and strength (omitting the union of *body and soul*) be absolutely necessary to attain arts, or excel rivals in ordinary occupations of life, music, drawing, geography, mathematics, writing, algebra, geometry, &c. how much more need must there be for all possible and constant efforts to make our ACTIONS correspond with our WORDS, if we profess *Christianity?* otherwise, men are hypocrites, condemned "out of their own mouths." It is better not to profess religion at all, than to use it as a cloak; *millions* sterling given to print BIBLES, and acquire great renown for benevolence, will never wash away *the truth,* if not given purely, *like the widow's mite,* as acts of pure charity, and not from proud or ostentatious motives.

A high churchman has just published a book, entitled, "*The Church not a Burthen to the People,*" and he asserts the whole revenue is not four millions, whereas Mr. Coventry calculates it at more than eight millions!! (See Chap. III.)

Who shall decide when doctors disagree? there appear unfortunately, no *official* accounts to exonerate the church from the universal charge of "*covetousness, which is idolatry.*"

We are, however, not left without divine standards, weights, and scales, to settle this question, thank God. "By their *fruits* [or actions] ye shall know *wolves* in *sheep's* clothing." Satis eloquentiæ — Sapentia parum.

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It is vanity for *man* to rise in judgment against *man*; but God rises to condemn covetous churchmen, as he did *Dives*, while he comforted *Lazarus*. (See *Luke* xvi.)

The hour is come, alas!

The charge is against *the whole church*, for there is not one who preaches without *money, the root of all evil.*

"As robbers lie in wait for a man, so the company of priests murder in the way, by consent." (See pp. 50, 51.)

"From the least to the greatest, every one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet to the priest, every one dealeth falsely."

"They are *all* ignorant, blind, dumb DOGS, that cannot bark; yea, they are *all greedy dogs*, that *can never have enough.*"

"Ye have robbed God of tithes and offerings."

Did we ever know one pluralist refuse a rich bishopric?

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| Rectories in England and Wales under the Crown | 558 | 1340 | |
| Do. Bishops | 592 | | |
| Do. Dean and chapter | 190 | | |
| Do. Oxford | 202 | 393 | |
| Do. Cambridge | 152 | | |
| Do. Colleges | 39 | | |
| Rectories under the *lay impropriators*, or people | | 3444 | 5,177 |
| Vicarages in England and Wales under the Crown | 490 | 1991 | 5,516 |
| Do. Bishops | 709 | | |
| Do. Dean, &c. | 792 | | |
| Do. Oxford | 112 | 350 | |
| Do. Cambridge | 131 | | |
| Do. Colleges | 107 | | |
| Do. Private Laymen | | 3175 | |
| Chapels under do. | | | 649 |
| | | | 11,342 |
| Rectories, vicarages, and chapels, in the hands of the people | | | 7,268 |
| Do. do. clergy | | | 4,074 |

"*There shall be like people, like priests.*" Isaiah xlix.

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This is exemplified by seeing that 7268 churches and chapels are in the hands of LAYMEN, and 4074 in the hands of the clergy. This prophecy never was fulfilled by *Jews*, but is now by *Gentile* Christendom. The people are decidedly worse than the priests who have corrupted the people, and have led Christendom to *Armageddon*, there to die.

"The scribes and Pharisees sit in Moses' seat," &c. in other words, *misers*, *idolators*, false prophets, and priests, prevail in our days, who ought to set pure examples. Every church brief costs 84*l.* and the overplus only is applied to the charitable works proclaimed, as I am assured. Will the churchman (who favours us with the above account) assert, briefs are not burdens at this rate, or can he deny this, as he has done Mr. Coventry's book?

The *Courier* stated, when the Archbishop of Canterbury died, on 21 July, 1828, that the executors who proved the will declared his PERSONAL estate was 180,000*l.* without valuing the FREEHOLDS. "The love of money is the root of all evil." *Tim.* The Courier also said he *died poor.* Query. Did the Courier mean he died *poor in heaven*, after having laid up all this treasure on earth (contrary to the gospel), which he could not carry out. "We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out." 1 *Tim.* vi. 7.

"A bishop must be blameless as the steward of God; not self-willed; not soon angry; not given to wine; no striker; not given to filthy lucre." *Paul to Titus.*

"Nolo (sed volo) episcopari." Remember Ananias!!

In the High Court of Chancery, it appeared, 27 March, 1830, there are 50,000 charities, whose annual value are about two million sterling, and not 500,000*l.* properly applied according to the founders' wills.

The public commissioners appointed have reported upon 20,000 of these cases, and their expences exceed 200,000*l.*

How ever can the High Court wade through such a multiplication of business? Surely, forty Lords Chancel-

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lors would find day and night employ, while Lord Eldon enjoys a million sterling reward, whose family still occupy eight good places, I understand.

"It is better to fall into the hands of God than man."

Court of Chancery, 1 May, 1828.—Chambers, clerk, against Jesus College, Oxford. — Dr. Lushington appeared on behalf of the Rev. P. Chambers, who appealed against a decision of the Fellows of Jesus College, Oxford, by whom he had been expelled. The circumstances were so very peculiar, that Dr. Lushington trusted the Lord Chancellor would permit the case to be heard in private.

The Lord Chancellor assented to this, there being no objection by the defendants.

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The ninth article of the church truly says, "This infection of human nature doth remain even in them who are regenerated, whereby the lust of the flesh is still not subject to the law of God: this deadly evil lingers in the breasts of the regenerated children of God, to alarm and harrass them throughout their pilgrimage; how evident is it that, in the unregenerated, sin must reign uncontrolled."

This proclamation is confirmed universally, and in order to illustrate the lost state of the world *without Christ*, and of whom and what *Babylon the Great* is composed, we must look at foreign and domestic accounts, viz. "There is evidence in every part of the *heathen* world already explored, that people are becoming more wicked, superstitious, ignorant, and miserable. The population of the Sandwich Islands has been reduced from 400,000 to 200,000, by destructive disease, &c. since Capt. Cook's voyage. All agree that greater was the number of the dead than living."*

In the same magazine, Mr. Irving's doctrine is seriously impeached. He is charged with preaching that Christ's

* Ex American Missionary Herald and Evangelical Mag. March. 1830.

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body was sinful or *devil possessed.* Christ expressly denied this when charged with being *mad,* and having a devil. I allude to this to show what *horrible confusion* reigns universally, in spite of all our Bible Societies, Charity and Sunday Schools, for it appears to me there are a *hundred heathens* springing up to *one Christian,* in spite of all HUMAN remedies. A majority of the rising generation is surely poisoned or inoculated with a contempt for Christianity, seeing its professors are wolves in sheep's clothing.

The remedy is nothing less than the Divine Physician and Shepherd, who is at hand to destroy the INNUMERABLE BUILDERS OF "BABYLON THE GREAT," who have utterly destroyed his law*; therefore, their crimes are tenfold greater than the old Babylonians committed. Take another instance of confusion around, viz. "A respectable chapel and school are building at Richmond, Surry, adjoining the Roman Catholic chapel." How can the blind lead the blind without danger?

Mr. Irving states, in his pamphlet called *The Signs of the Times,* "They talk most idly who speak of a SPIRITUAL coming of the kingdom as yet future (p. 36), for we have now Christ's spiritual kingdom hidden within us, i. e. he reigns in the hearts of believers." I agree to the last, but must disagree with his *first* assertion.

Surely, Mr. Irving looks like one of the countless host of builders of "*Babylon the Great,*" or how else can he forget God's promise by Joel the prophet, viz. "It shall come to pass [in the last days] I will pour out my spirit ON ALL FLESH."

Surely this blessed promise has never yet been executed, and if it has, let Mr. Irving tell us and convince us how and when it has been accomplished? If it has never been done, then it remains to be done, and what is it but the long-promised *kingdom of God upon earth?*

* "It is time for thee, O Christ, to lay to thine hand, for they have utterly destroyed thy law." *Psalms.*

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whose "*throne is heaven*, and whose footstool is the earth;" therefore, Christ's PERSONAL presence is not at all necessary, who once said, "Lo, I am with you always till the end of the world;" and again, "where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Signs and wonders are working every where.

Two men assume the title, "THE LORD IS HERE," and they argue that the MILLENIUM is *begun*, and that they have *died unto sin*, as Christ could NOT die *unto* sin, therefore, they assert that part of scripture alluded to a MAN. One of them claims that *honour*. They also deny the resurrection, and prove themselves impostors, as Christ has given earnest proofs. They also profess to understand ALL the Bible, and give several expositions; so that, if it were possible, they would deceive the *elect*.*

The death of Mr. Miller, a Philadelphia barrister, by Lieutenant Hunter of the American navy, is stated in the New York papers under the name of "honourable murder."

There are nearly two million slaves in North America: this alone is proof that Christianity is spurned in America as much as in Christendom. Canada is infested with Roman priests, in spite of the English bishop of Quebec. There are nearly a million slaves in the West India Islands.

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The Universal War, or Works of *Great Babylon*, are war, adultery, fornication, gluttony, drunkenness, cruelty, covetousness, idolatry, hatred, deceit, pride, anger, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, fraud, heresies, envy, murders, robberies, witchcraft, usury, blasphemy, lying, swearing, sabbath-breaking, cursing, gaming, bor-

* This is a blasphemous misinterpretation; the meaning is, Christ died to blot out the sins of all the world, who believe God sent him to save the world. *Belief* is all that is required, but the world is full of *unbelief*.



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rowing and never paying, false oaths, treason, duels, slander, &c.

The Universal Peace and Downfall of *Great Babylon*, under the kingdom of Christ, are FAITH, unanimity, mercy, truth, justice, charity, hope, patience, joy, holiness, concord, love, union, compassion, meekness, humility, obedience, virtue, kindness, affection, praise, gratitude, blessings, honesty, fidelity, friendship, goodwill, soberness, temperance, chastity, content, thanksgivings, songs, hymns, hallelujahs, &c., WORLD without end. Amen.

> "An open enemy may be a curse,
> But all pretended friends are worse."

It is a common notion that *Rome* must be "BABYLON THE GREAT," and ordained to fall like *old Babylon;* by such doctrine people are led to sleep easy on the bed of sin, till they awake too late to retrace their courses.

The slightest impartial investigation ought, however, to detect and expose the strong delusion, both scripturally and historically. Old Rome and the suburbs, during the reign of Claudius, contained, according to historians, nearly four million souls, but the population is now reduced to 160,000. How then can Rome, alone, mean "*Babylon the Great?*" London, Paris, Madrid, Vienna, Lisbon, Constantinople, &c. resemble old Babylon, in pomp and vanity, more than Rome does in its present abject miserable condition.

St. Peter's cathedral is, however, a most magnificent building, and serves to *inoculate* all the world with blasphemous and idolatrous rites, viz. Beatæ et Dei paræ Virginis — Oh, blessed and divine Virgin Mary! &c.

In this Christendom beholds one of the greatest miracles, for it fulfils Daniel's prophecy, that the FOURTH or present universal empire is *diverse* from all former beastly empires, because it is fostered and harboured by *ten* kings and *seven* petty princes, GIVING their power to *the Beast*, No. 666. who has no power to stand one hour without military sup-

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port. Arms now stand in favour of the beast, but he shall fall without visible hands.

"Arms shall stand on *his* part [antichrist], and they [the ten kings and seven princes] shall pollute the sanctuary, and take away the daily sacrifice." *Dan.* xi. The MASS is called the BLOODLESS *sacrifice* at Rome, &c. "Without blood there is no remission of sins. The blood of Christ cleanseth from all sin." God will confound the whole of Christendom, in a manner exceeding all his old miracles, in the sight of man, and destroy such "abomination of desolation."

"Let the earth [all men] hear, and all that is therein, for the indignation of the Lord is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies."—"The nation and kingdom that will not serve God shall perish."

"The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord, and against his *anointed*" [Christ]. *

It is very certain, the Almighty never afflicts his creatures but for the blackest treason and rebellion against his holy laws, and against his holy will, with a merciful view to reclaim all sinners!!

If learned "*doctors and batchelors of divinity* †" do not ascribe God's anger to the *voluntary* support given to idolatry throughout the world, let them declare the cause, and point out the proper remedy (if I be wrong), for it is their express duty to watch and pray, who are so well paid for their labour, rather than throw the *onus probandi* upon a *layman*. I defy all the world to point out how the world can offend God more than at this moment, however smoothly and sophistically OUR DIVINES may preach, who have leisure and opportunity to investigate the matter.

* Remember, Christ was anointed with a box of spikenard, who declared the fact should be proclaimed every where with his gospel of the kingdom.

Europe GIVES their united *power* against the gospel, in favour of the beast (DIVERSE from all former empires), who would fall, if "*the Holy Alliance*" did not protect Rome with vast armaments. This may be fairly called "*the wonder of the world.*"

† "Doctors of Divinity"—what? can DIVINITY want DOCTORS or doctrine?



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The hour is come. "Let us burst their *bonds* asunder, and cast away their *cords* from us."—"He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn." *Psalm* ii.

"Separate yourselves from 'Babylon the Great' that I may consume them in a moment. Escape for your life."

He who has set his hand to the plough, and looks back, is unworthy to enter Jerusalem.

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The secret service money is about 60,000*l.* annually.

According to official accounts, there are, on an average, about 550 criminals confined annually in the *Millbank Penitentiary*, at a yearly charge of 20,798*l.* The building cost 400,000*l.*; and, on a moderate calculation, adding interest and repairs, it appears, every convicted felon therein, costs about 80*l.* which equal the half-pay of lieutenants.

Common justice requires me to rejoice, that the slave trade was abolished in England and America in 1806; in 1814, by Denmark; in 1815, by Portugal; and in 1820, by Spain. Portugal received a bonus of 900,000*l.* and Spain 400,000*l.* from England.

The private revenue of Charles X. exceeds the revenue of George IV.

The public revenue of France, at present, exceeds that of 1814 and 1815. None of the French taxes have been abolished, though the expences in peace are much less than in war. Hence the source of discontent in France, and what wonder? Where is the new charter?

Having *reviewed* Christendom, and found it composed of *builders of all kinds*, CONFOUNDING THE TRUTH, in every shape, I say "Babylon the Great" is the work of Christendom, or devildom, which God *foresaw* men would build, when he said he would "*gather all nations to battle against* JERUSALEM," in direct allusion to the battle of

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ARMAGEDDON*, in which *the whole world* are this day *volunteers,* for it is by free choice that men act. I contend, men cannot be eternally condemned, except wilfully guilty of the blackest treason against God. The earth was a PARADISE, but men and devils have made it a HELL. All Europe appear up in arms this day, against God, fully engaged at *Armageddon,* storming Jerusalem.

Men call their houses and lands after their names, and think their posterity shall endure for ever; they have forgotten God, who will overthrow them in a moment. Christendom wages war against God, by following all the pomps and vanities of this wicked world, without renouncing the devil, or one of his works.

God will arise in anger, and overturn and confound them utterly. "Destroy thou them, O God."

A friend who travelled through Finland, in 1826, has favoured me with the following extract from his journal, viz.:—

"The Fins are considered a *barbarous race,* but the following anecdote proves they merit that *opprobrium* less than most of those who consider themselves perfectly *civilized.*

"In consequence of the vast extent of territory, and the small population, it frequently occurs that some families reside 20 miles from a village in which there is a church; but even such long distances, and the most inclement weather, do not prevent the Fins from attending *divine service.*

"I noticed a village, containing about 60 small wooden huts, forty of which appeared uninhabited. On inquiry, I learned they belonged to Fins who resided at too great distances from the church, to allow them to attend twice on Sundays, and return home the same day; consequently, they built those huts to sleep in on the Sunday night, and on the Monday mornings take their leave."†

* The doctrine of predestination, to hell, is the most dangerous and diabolical doctrine ever advanced in the world, if we rightly consider God's conversation with the first born man, CAIN.

† Tour through the North of Europe, by J. L. L. Esq. to be published.



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## CHAPTER VII.

### *Signs of the Glorious Christian Millenium.*

THERE never has been perfect *unanimity* in the world upon any subject. *Unanimity* is a divine work, A NEW THING, which God accomplishes. Unanimity is God-like.

"*All* the earth shall be *devoured* with the fire of my jealousy; then will I turn to the people *a pure language*, that they may *all* call upon the name of the Lord, to *serve* him *with one consent*." Zephaniah.

God divided the waters at the creation, and placed *half* above the firmament. Water descended at the Deluge, as we behold rains do. God commands all elements, whose fire will descend at *the last day*.

The signs of Christ's coming are daily visible to his WATCHMEN; they cannot know *the day and hour*, but see *paradise summers* are nigh, and consequently know *the years* well, and feel "tidings of great joy to *all people*."

*The gospel summer* is at hand, but the devil has caused nearly 6000 years *winter of sin and slaughter*. Some say *six millions* perished between 1789 and 1816.

Before the tower of Babel was built there was but *one* language, and all languages may die, except one (before or during the Millenium), by which all shall worship Christ, as lawgiver, judge, king, and saviour.

"Immediately *after* the [universal] *tribulation* of those days, shall *the sun* be darkened, and *the moon* shall not give her light, and *the stars* [the high churchmen] *shall fall from heaven*, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken; then shall *all* the tribes of the earth *mourn*, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."

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The next day of *Pentecost* (according to the gospel) arrives immediately after *universal tribulation;* and (it cannot be too often repeated, or too well understood) at Christ's coming, *not to judgment,* but to purify his church, and cast out the devil (by the perdition of ungodly men), sinners shall see and feel his vengeance, who know not Christ, and obey not his gospel. "Judgment must begin at *the house of God.*"

Christendom, or devildom, is full of deadly convulsions. Who is at rest? What spot is free from iniquity? The love of many waxes cold.

"He who giveth his mind to the law of the Most High, will seek out the wisdom of all the ancient, and be occupied in PROPHECIES." *Eccl.* xxxix. 1.

"He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet, shall receive a prophet's reward. Beware of false prophets. Beware of dogs and wolves in sheep's clothing." *Mat.* x. 41.

The harvest and vintage of God's wrath is at hand against heathens and hypocrites, abounding among the MULTITUDES "GOING TO THE TEMPLES TO PRAY."

St. John's 13 Revelation describes a *mighty and terrible infidel* power overwhelming the world, abolishing *all* religion. "*All* the dwellers upon earth shall worship the beast [golden devils], whose names are *not* found in the *book of life.*"

This prophecy alludes to the whole world embracing and yielding to "*the bull or beast . . . the mystery of iniquity*" VICARIVS FILII DEI. (See page 73.) *

O, Christian soldiers, prepare to die *defenders of the faith,* for in the world ye shall have tribulation till "*the Sun of Righteousness*" arises. "The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted .... Sound an alarm in my holy mountain; let all the inhabitants of the earth tremble, for the day of the Lord cometh; it is

* Are not gluttons called *beasts and monsters,* when *dead drunk* or beastly drunk?



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nigh at hand. The Lord hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no *truth*, nor *mercy*, nor *knowledge of* GOD *in the land*.... Every morning doth the Lord bring his judgment to light." *Zephaniah.*

The attempts of the Bible Societies appear almost fruitless. The gospel language shall be universal. England sent the gospel to Madagascar, but France invades and destroys the uncivilized islanders, and checks its growth in the bud, so that savages exclaim against such Christianity. Christ alone is the great physician; the captain and conqueror. His medicine or doctrine is the gospel of *universal* PEACE, after all unbelievers are laid in the dust by *universal* WAR. The Bible is published in 145 languages, to *every nation under heaven.*

Look at our West Indian slaves, and consider how the African slave trade continues, in spite of Christendom.

We have most positive and divine proclamations of two great and terrible events to come, at two opposite periods; the first *immediately after a greater tribulation than the deluge;* the second, when the world shall be *at rest*, as it was before the deluge!!! "In the midst of life we are in death."

> "The dangers men discern not, they deny;
> Laugh at their only remedy, and die."

O read the 24 Matt. 13 Mark, and 21 Luke. "*Fearful sights* and great signs shall there be from heaven.... There shall be signs in the sun, moon, and stars; and upon the earth *distress of nations*, with perplexity; the sea and waves roaring. Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things that are coming upon the earth, for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. When these things begin to come to pass, then [O Christians] look up and lift up your heads, for your *redemption* [or first resurrection] draweth nigh."

"As a snare shall it come on *all* them that dwell on the face of the *whole earth!*" Here is proof, that *no man living* will be watching in the *hour* Christ arrives. Even,

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like the eleven apostles in Gethsemane's garden, the best saints will be *sleepy*, whose spirits are willing, but flesh weak; nevertheless, such "may be accounted worthy to escape all these things," for Christ's sake.

The world heeds nothing, in its mad career, but gold and pleasure.

I admire the sublime overtures against the battle of *Armageddon*, where two hundred million declare open war now, alas! against Christ, "the King of the Jews." The population of Europe, or Christendom, consists of about that number of souls!!! "God will arise in fierce anger, and consume them, for they are *locusts*, destroying all the earth, worshipping DEVILS, and *idols of gold, silver*," &c. *Rev.* ix.

O that I had wings like a dove, with a voice of thunder, to proclaim destruction to all unbelievers, and deliverance to believers. After much tribulation, Christ will chain satan 1000 years. Isaiah's prophecy shall then be fulfilled, "Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they *learn* war any more."* O, what a blessed hour!!! Let swords be exchanged for ploughs.

Alas! after 1000 years, the devil will reign (exactly the number of days now shortened) a little season. For instance, the devil has still 170 years to reign, in order to complete 6000 years; and, of course, will have 170 years to reign when he is loosed (after the Millenium), if (to illustrate my meaning) the *Millenium* commenced in 1830. The *seventh* thousand years shall resemble the *first* SABBATH, or paradise, which Adam forfeited.

"I [Christ] know their blasphemy, who say they are Jews, and are not, but are of the synagogue of satan."†

* Though nations shall not LEARN war; yet, after the Millenium, there will be *great* sudden bloodshed, without all the *malice prepense*, or dreadful deliberate warlike preparations used by all nations, professing Christ's example, worse than Chinese, whose empire is called CELESTIAL.

"A people I have not known shall serve me; as soon as they hear, they shall obey me." This prophecy may apply to the Chinese suddenly.

† This is one of the first and most important revelations Christ ever made to St. John, which did not strike me till April, 1830; therefore, will form a new chapter, to remove the great delusion existing about the Jew's restoration.

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God sent unto men all his servants, the prophets, saying, "Oh, do not the abominable things which I hate."

"Behold, the days come, when the Most High will begin to deliver them that are upon the earth, and when all the people hear his voice, *every man* shall, in his own land, LEAVE the battle [of ARMAGEDDON] which they have one against another." How awful! how mysterious is this sacred proclamation! What must we do to be saved?

Let Christians "sing to the Lord a *new song*, for he hath done marvellous things; with his right hand, and with his holy arm, hath he gotten the victory . . . . over sin and death, the *flesh*, and the devil." Believe, and be saved.

"Thousands of heathens shall fall at thy right hand, and tens of thousands at thy left, but death shall not come nigh" Christians at *Armageddon!!* Thousands must expire on dunghills, for want of a penny loaf. "The proud shall be scattered and abased; the humble exalted."

In dog-days we have very cold weather, and continual clouds (more sublime and magnificent than Mont Blanc), very terrible to look upon. Nature mourns, according to Esdras. Surely these are tokens of *great power*, arresting the usual course of *nature*. I, for one, declare I see the signs of the Son of Man's spirit coming (in the clouds of heaven and earth), for I believe *nature* is reversed till Christ restores it. Are men's hearts failing them for fear? This part of the prophecy is not yet *publicly* fulfilled, though it is *privately;* but when "*the seed is rotten under the clods,*" and seven harvests fail, men's hearts must fail for fear, and feel they deserve destruction, when too late to ask mercy; for God will laugh at their calamities, who mock the cross of Christ.

I declare, I see "*the* SIGN *of* the Son of Man coming" (in the clouds of heaven). Angry clouds overspread the heavens, while clouds of sinners overwhelm the earth, and turn the *Gospel sun* into darkness. The *universal tribulation* must presently follow the signs now given. Universal sentence will be executed directly; whoever fore-

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sees and foretells it, may (like the old prophets) not live to witness their prophecies, because it would make men too *proud*, or too much *adored*, if not MORTALLY persecuted.

The Son of Man can come openly, without *personal* presence, since then he could not be visible in more than *one* place. The next day of *Pentecost* is at hand, when his most holy *spirit* will appear *every where* at once, if we believe Christ's words. "*As the lightning cometh out of the* EAST, *and shineth unto the* WEST, even so shall the coming of the Son of Man be." Therefore, Christians cannot be deceived by devils, appearing like saints, many of whom are come, exactly as Christ predicted, so that we see "the measure of iniquity filled up," by generations who must drink the bitter dregs of *the* cup of "WRATH TO COME."

Our common creed teaches us that Christ shall never reappear *personally*, except as a *Judge*, viz. "He sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, and *from thence* he shall come again to *judge* both the quick and dead." Yet how many vain notions pervade man? Yea, how few continue in one faith!

"Intercourse with the world, is education in vice."

"*Friendship* with the world, is WAR against God."—"Evil communications corrupt good manners."

Since sounding several private alarms, *in church and state*, as commanded, *light* has opened my understanding daily, concerning the *second universal tribulation*. God now accomplishes this in miraculous ways, like his principal judgments, viz. the deluge; the Jews in the wilderness; and the destruction of Jerusalem, after 40 years' most merciful signs and warnings, so great ever since 1789, that all Europe considered *Napoleon* as God's scourge.

France dates her grand Revolution in 1792, or 38 years since, so that 40 years thence expire in 1832, which, therefore, is likely to bring the death of Christendom, except she repents before. God, at last, cast down Napoleon, and has given all princes, priests, and people, *the last opportunity*, to execute *Christian mercy, truth, and jus-*

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*tice*, who have all relapsed into the *old system*, galloping headlong down the *left* hand precipice !!! Thus, God suffers all such heathens to descend into *perdition*, but delivers all who truly love, *fear*, and *serve* him, and " do unto all men as they would be done unto," as Christ commands.

I, therefore, sound a public alarm, that this awful crisis is descending on the guilty world, in order to purge and purify it, as *gold* is tried in the *fire*. I would rather die than neglect the desire of my heart to resound this alarm, if it were possible, in a voice of *thunder*, to all corners of the earth (if haply one lost sheep may hear), though I also feel that this and every *human* effort to awake people from sin, will only excite similar ridicule to what Noah experienced, 120 years, while building the ark, reported to have been 450 feet long, 75 wide, and 45 high, and calculated to have been above 18 times larger than the greatest ship now afloat. Mirabile dictu.

O, Christians, this day build your " *ark of faith*," or rather seek " *the builder of all things*," whose ark is impregnable !!! " The sea and waves are roaring. Men's hearts shall soon fail them for fear of the judgments rapidly approaching the earth." Nothing is hid from him who made the eyes.

How soon *a divine light* shall strike and confound all the world, during its present apathy, unbelief, and darkness !! A LIGHT *far, far greater than* THE SUN itself, whose heat and lustre defy all human comparison. If the sun approached the earth, would not man and beast die? but now " THE LIGHT OF LIGHT " approaches, who makes and hurls the lightning and thunderbolts, who shall escape but those who sincerely believe, repent, and forsake all sins?

A man may be sinless in *human* sight, but in God's sight (without Christian faith) no man shall be justified. If we cannot behold *the mid-day sun*, how can we behold its maker, whose light is ten million times greater? His presence strikes death to Christless sinners, for " he is a consuming fire."

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After strict *search*, sincere study, and several years *desire* to find and understand what is *the truth?* "God's word is truth." Sudden lights burst across my mind, heart, and soul. "*God makes all things new.*" The prophetic 2 and 110 Psalms of David, confirmed by Christ, remain to be sung and performed on earth, as is always done in heaven!!! Hence all doubts vanish, which countless *commentators* have circulated as to Christ's *personal* reappearance, to reign with the OLD JEWS on earth 1000 years. He will never be *visible* again till he comes from the right hand of God (*as judge of the quick and the dead*), when "*every eye* shall see him, and *every knee* shall bow before him," even heathens and Christians, to receive his blessing or his curse: the blessing of his everlasting presence in glory, beyond all human conception, or the curse of eternal exile, in regions of darkness, "prepared for the devil and his angels."

Christ's spirit will, however, descend on *all flesh*, must consume all his enemies, and protect his friends; bind satan 1000 years, and prove more than conqueror!!

This almighty event and almighty degree commenced shedding its tokens forty years ago; but Christendom dreams as if *God had forgotten the world* (though God himself once suffered murder to redeem it), whereas *heathens have forgotten God*, or attempt by violence to enter heaven by working *self righteousness*, entirely by regular penance. "*The kingdom of heaven suffereth* VIOLENCE."

"The nation and kingdom that will not serve God shall perish."—"Christ shall put down *all rule, all authority, and power*, for he must reign till he hath put *all enemies* under his feet.... the last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." *Cor.* xv.

There are millions of ways in which men may *leave the* PRESENT *battle against Jerusalem's King of Truth, willingly or unwillingly!*

"Every one, in his own land, shall *leave* the battle."

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Come down, O Lord, and cast *the first stone* at all sinners (since no man is without sin, or able to do it); and, even as thou didst once use *the first scourge,* overthrow the Gentiles, now worse than the Jewish dealers and money changers, who made *thy house a den of thieves.* We know, O Lord, how thou art *provoked* every day, and that thy great mercy procrastinates the blow that must fall, because "the measure of iniquity, the mystery of iniquity, is full; even the abomination of desolation," dragging down the greatest tribulation, and at the resurrection will drag down *fire* instead of *water* to destroy the world, and accomplish thy almighty incorruptible kingdom *above.* How vain are all human efforts to purge away sin? Surely Christ comes quickly. O come, Lord Jesus; *restore all things;* hasten thy next *Pentecost* over all the world.

Clouds of anger descend on England; the shock will be electrical, and strike *a panic* into all heathen hearts, that shall confound the rich, proud, cruel oppressors of the *poor,* who have sunk into their graves destitute, leaving wives and children, forced to prostitution, robbery, and beggary, for bread. How vain are all the efforts of man to purge away sin? Christ's atonement was absolutely necessary, or *universal* and eternal misery must have been man's merited doom.

How many, during Oliver Cromwell's reign, wished *the law of God** to be revived and executed (as it was by *the Jews*), but it was a vain effort, while the heart remains a stranger to Christ. "The heart of man is desperately wicked, and deceitful above all things."

"There is now no condemnation to believers." Yet, so lost is the world, that they believe the Roman and Grecian histories, but disbelieve *Christian* history, and call this *the vulgar era;* well pleased, in this world, if they can command its perishable contents, till they find death, the

* "*The glorious uncertainty of the law,*" is proverbial among people, and celebrated by barristers and attornies at grand dinners; such is the fruit of senators, after thousands of years spent in vain, for our laws change yearly, but the laws of God are plain to a child's capacity, and never change!!

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great teacher, a slow or sudden messenger; and then *millions* of companions in sin desert death-beds, for their hearts are alarmed even at the sight, but Christ can render *death-beds* as sweet as *down-beds* to all believers!!!

"The lives of Joachim and Anna (the parents of the blessed Virgin Mary) were plain, and right in the sight of God; pious, and faultless before men, for they divided all their substance into three parts. "One of which they devoted to the temple, another they distributed among strangers, and persons in poor circumstances, and the third they reserved for themselves, and the uses of their own family." *Ex Apocryphal New Testament.*—"Go, and do thou likewise."

Even "the devil and his angels" are *reserved* for the day of judgment, doubtless mysteriously, at the *left hand* of God.

Unbelievers' souls (who die without repentance) are also *reserved* till the last day, like the devil, when they will receive one sentence, "Depart," &c.

Believers' souls are doubtless *reserved* at the *right hand* of God (under the altar, or in the *lowest* heaven, for we read of THREE heavens in the Bible, and the highest or heaven of heavens), which is also a mystery, beyond human penetration, where they sing eternal hallelujahs!!*

Unbelievers' souls are doubtless miserable in prison (not purgatory), knowing they are guilty of rejecting Christ's mercy, and feeling what a dreadful curse attends them

* The second chapter of Acts corroborates this, as David's *body* is not ascended yet into (the highest) heaven, according to the apostles; but his soul is, doubtless, in PARADISE with Christ. We read of *three heavens* in the Bible, and that no man hath ascended into heaven but Christ, who came down from heaven, and promised *paradise* to the thief on the cross, who repented, clearly denoting Christ is almighty and omnipresent.

Angels and spirits continued for several ages visible and tangible by Adam's descendants. Angels and spirits became generally invisible to the human race during Sampson's life. The witch of Endor raised Samuel's spirit, at King Saul's command.

1 Kings xix. 5; Gen. xix. 16. xxxii. 24; Judges xiii. 22.

I, therefore, believe angels will re-appear; yea, ten legions of visible and invisible angels on earth, at Christ's command; but Christ himself, as JUDGE of the quick and dead, at the last day only. Amen.

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at the SECOND resurrection, or reunion of their *bodies* and *souls*.

Are not felons and murderers reserved in prisons till the day of trial, judgment, and execution? and cannot God reserve all human *souls* for acquittals and condemnations?

At the advent of Christ's kingdom on earth, I believe the *last* miracles will exceed the *first*.

Many saints rose with Christ, the third day, and many more may ascend into the heavenly paradise from their graves, when his holy spirit or word enters the earth, to reign as *universal* king.

The *seven* last plagues must soon pour down, being *seven miracles*, which are to strike men's hearts with terrors at last, for several shall, at length, foresee *hell* before them, as clearly as saints, Stephen, &c. on earth have seen heaven opened, by Christ, to all believers!!!

O, great God, because thou hast mercifully sent thy prophets and son, to warn all men against *pride*, covetousness and sin, in the last days, how art thou *accused* of being the *author* of sin, because thou hast *revealed* things that should come to pass? Whereas, men ought to accept thy warnings, as the earnest of thy mercy to all who are not willingly led captive by the flesh and devil, even while our conscience pleads guilty of sin "*against thee only*, and only in thy sight, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified."

O God, how couldest thou offer greater majestic mercy to the world than such numberless solemn warnings against sin, except the sacrifice of thy only Son, upon the cross, who sealed thy promises with his most precious blood!!!

*Thy two witnesses*, the LAW and GOSPEL (Moses and Christ) have prophecied in sackcloth and ashes; they are scorned and rejected in Christendom, by princes, priests, and people.

"O Lord, it is time for thee to lay to thine hand, for they have utterly destroyed thy law."

Let all kings reign like *Solomon*, and all priests obey thy

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law, or give them their due portion for ever; the blood of the poor crieth, like the blood of Abel, from the ground. "Up, Lord, and disappoint sinners; enable thy servants to rejoice, while thousands fall at our right hand, and tens of thousands at our left hand."

At an old book stall, I picked up John Engelbrecht's divine revelations and visions, out of the dirt. I providentially found two precious jewels for one shilling !!!

John Engelbrecht was as notorious at Brunswick, as John Bunyan in England. I have (at page 30) given Engelbrecht's vision of "*the three earthly states*," which has been verified by Napoleon, but "*the three states*" have again fallen asleep, in spite of continual divine awful warnings. I intend to extract some further extraordinary details from Engelbrecht's book, and put them in the *Appendix*, or to republish the *whole*, as they ought to be.

The false church must suffer another overturn, far more sanguinary than ever happened, for it will be utterly destroyed. Idolators must reign till the divine indignation be accomplished. "*The mystery of iniquity*," God (*a consuming fire*) will confound by the brightness of his coming, while idolators are drunk with the blood of saints.

This most terrible and final decree first falls on the heads of priests preaching for money, who would not pray or preach without gold or silver. Thus, covetous priests most shamefully expose themselves to satan's malice, but the *innocent* blood will God require from covetous, proud, gluttonous doctors and legislators. *When* the gospel's last spark LOOKS extinguished in ALL Christendom, and satan reigns generally, by accursed, but open idolatry, protected by vast armies in every land, after the murder of Christians; *when* the world, and all its princes, rulers, and people, shall have exterminated, as far as possible, every known Christian; *when* they shall have plundered and divided Christian lands and houses; *when* monsters and idolators feel in sole and sure possession



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of the *whole* world; then, instead of "peace and safety, cometh destruction" upon murderers and idolators. "Then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn." Christ shall then afflict all the earth, with all the curses denounced in the 24 chapter of Matthew, and in the Revelations. Famine, pestilence, lightning, tempests, and earthquakes, shall spread *one universal desolation* over land and sea, till it shall be more rare to hear the voice of a man in Christendom, than to find wedges of gold in the ruins of *Great Babylon*, like *old* Babylon. Christ hath revealed, that "all power is given unto him in heaven and earth;" and he asks a question which no man is able to answer, viz. "What more could have been done for my [church] vineyard; and when I looked for grapes, why brought it forth *wild grapes?*" The prophet then declares, that Christ will expose his (church) vineyard to *beasts*, who shall devour it utterly; but faithful labourers shall escape, defying men who kill the body, fearing God who is able to destroy both *body and soul.**

If sinners do not ask sincerely, or believe God's grace worth one prayer, how is God blameable or accusable? No earthly kings know their subjects' desires without application, and if men seek promotion they ask reverently and incessantly, even after denials. God never refuses the most miserable sinner who forsakes sin, repents, and seeks pardon, for Christ's sake.†

The earth is ripe; the *harvest* at hand, and God is the chief reaper; even to morrow may he thrust in *his* sickle; gather the wheat, and burn the chaff; hew down every corrupt tree; what is the chaff to the wheat?

Every man's heart or *conscience* cries "beware and repent," till seared by favourite sins, and deafened to the

* The *breath and blood are visibly the soul* of man, which death divides from the body in a moment.

† Princes and sovereigns reign on earth by great officers, and for many years princes and rulers dwell in palaces, invisibly to the populace, who, nevertheless, obey royal proclamations. Thus, God reigns over all, and sends *visible and invisible* agents and angels, to fulfil Christ's revelations, and all the prophets.

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voice of Christ, the charmer, who calls ALL sinners to repentance "*to day, if they* WILL *hear his voice,*" unlike the Jews (40 years in the wilderness), who, although fed with MANNA, hardened their hearts, till "God *swore,* in his wrath, that they should not enter into his *rest.*"

On 11 April, 1829, the last Gentiles fell in London (worse than Jews at Jerusalem) under "*the beast,* that had the wound by the sword, and did live;" for popery never received such deadly wounds as it did from France, under Napoleon. *Christendom* thought popery extinguished for ever, but Europe was deceived and undeceived. How madly England stood Rome's champion in vain, till Napoleon's famous *concordat* and divorce, and then his *host* fell in the *fire and frost* of Russia. England restored the pope under the sanction of "*the Holy Alliance,*" composed of *nine* kingdoms (*professing Christianity*), who rejoiced in bloodshed. "The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong."

How Christendom rejoiced to witness the pope's restoration (who is the tenth king), in open opposition to every principle of *Christianity,* and blasphemously declared and ascribed it to the *divine deliverance* of Europe!!! The Holy Alliance expected peace and prosperity to be the fruits of hellish wars, called "just and necessary;" but Christendom beholds nothing but commotion, distress, and discontent, in Holland, Poland, France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece, Turkey, Russia, America, Terceira, Scio, Madagascar, Madeira, Algiers, Egypt, &c.

England, while professing *Christ,* established *antichrist,* by whose hands she justly falls!!! Such are the inscrutable decrees of Providence. Nor is there one *real* Christian alive, who does not admire and adore the wisdom, truth, mercy, and justice of God's almighty hand, in these events, and all his dispensations; but particularly in suffering Christendom to fall, with all her sins upon her heads, while they expect to reign upon a *rock,* though ready to vanish in quicksands, because "the measure of iniquity"



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is at last full, and England stands next, to drink deep; but, in 1832, if not sooner, she drinks the dregs. Greece, Russia, Turkey, &c. though all professed friends, are tormentors, not allowing Christendom a moment's real repose, during *avowed* peace and alliance.

Christendom once united and attempted for 194 years to regain "the Holy Land," in vain. God now enables Russian barbarian Cossacks to destroy Turkish barbarians, and suddenly opens the road to Jerusalem to all Christians, who will surely somewhere find a land of Canaan or Goshen, whilst heathens perish.

I heartily pray for the hour to hear Christ's trumpet sound the signal to march forwards, not to retreat, from the battle, for I am ready to march with palms and olive branches. "If the nations against whom God has pronounced turn from evil, he will repent of the evil he thought to do unto them." *Jer.* xviii.

Mr. Canning prophecied that the next warfare would be more dreadful than the last, which was more dreadful than all others recorded. "The Lord abhors bloodthirsty men." England spent *sixty millions* for the battle of Waterloo, and voted one or two *millions* to build churches. Mr. Canning pretended to call a NEW world (South America) to balance the OLD world (grown crazy or top-heavy perhaps), when he was suddenly called to another, and, let us hope, to a better world.

What spectacles of human folly, and divine power! Mr. Canning threatened to let slip "THE DOGS OF WAR."

The last just and necessary war destroys *all* warriors; there can be no good war, except it brings *the end of all wars;* therefore, it must be fought under the divine banners of Christ, THE GREATEST CAPTAIN and conqueror.

I have often met men anxious for GOOD WARS, as they call them, but all such are murderers at heart; how can the earth rest, peopled by *murderers?* "Whence come wars, but from the lust of the *flesh?*"

Let all men of war now die, assembled at the *battle of*

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*Armageddon* against Christ, "THE KING OF THE JEWS," by pestilence, famine, earthquakes, thunder, and fire. God will send great signs, wonders, and panics, in 1832, or sooner.

The Millenium is surely at hand. We have seen "*the beginning of sorrows*" or tribulation; and worse than the deluge must its consequences be, for, under TEN kings, styled "*the Holy Alliance*"*, Christendom is governed by armaments. How awful! "Can *ten* kings speak lies at THE SAME TABLE?" This is *mysterious!* Can it mean Christ's sacrament table? *Ten* kings seldom meet, if not in the HOLY PLACE of Christ's table. This point requires the utmost sagacity to understand one word.

The devils have full sway over the earth. Only Christ can dethrone satan from all our hearts. During Christ's most glorious reign, "the will of God must be done on earth, as it is done in heaven."

Christ's reign will not, as many suppose, be PERSONAL (among the Jews only at Jerusalem, or in any select land), but UNIVERSALLY, in the hearts of ALL men, during 1000 years, after he has cast out Beelzebub from *the living* TEMPLES OF GOD (human hearts), whom Christ came to redeem, and to bind the strong man (the devil), and cast him out. Why marvel ye at this? He who created all things *by his word*, can assuredly do all things *by his word*, and must do what he has promised, and even sworn to perform!!! This heavenly *Millenium* descends rapidly, and the continual clouds, rain, winds, and earthquakes, during the *harvest moons*, speak, like thunder, to every Christian, while the world remains asleep or senseless to Christ, who must, at last, be heard and seen by every eye, at the "harvest of *life* and death."

* Nine kings form the Holy Alliance, and the pope was restored, and is the TENTH, as if to fulfil Daniel's prophecy of the TEN kingdoms, though the pope did not sign the deed; viz. Austria, Spain, France, England, Portugal, Prussia, Russia, and Sweden, did sign, 30 March, 1814, the treaty of Paris. Holland did not sign, but has acceded to it since.

"Ten kings receive power as kings, one hour, WITH the beast." *Rev.* xvii. (See p. 83.)



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Oh, holy prophets, apostles, martyrs, and saints, whose united voices are added to the eternal *hallelujah* round the throne of God, at his right hand, be *witnesses* of our humble and hearty desires to follow you, at Christ's feet, who blotteth out all sin.

Descend, O holy spirit, *hasten* thy glorious Pentecost kingdom, and *shorten* these wicked days; and by thy "*consuming fire*" confound all thy enemies. Scatter all who delight in war. "Scatter the proud in the imaginations of their heart .... exalt the humble and meek."

O verify the blessed promises of Christ's mercy to all who seek, ask, knock, and desire thy precious GIFT of salvation. O verify thy word against blood-thirsty men, whom thou dost abhor, if they will not repent and live.

Scatter "the *abomination of desolation*," which, as Daniel declared, is now standing in "the holy place," even in thy temples at Jerusalem, Rome, and "*Babylon the Great*," *Britain*.

Let thy gospel be preached, *gratis*, again to all the world. Teach every man thy will, O God, who hast declared, "they shall be all taught of God." Hasten that blessed hour when men shall *learn* war no more!!

O deliver all thy servants from dens of thieves, or false priests and wolves, as thou didst Daniel from the lions' den, for we are helpless, seeing "*the poor oppressed*" by the rich and covetous, withholding labourer's wages, who reap down their fields." *St. James.*

Thy *last* miracles shall surely excel all the *first;* the world laughs at "*the end of the world*," as too distant to trouble sinners. "O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth, show thyself. Arise, thou judge of the *world, and reward the proud* as they deserve."

"How long shall the ungodly triumph?" They murder the widows, strangers, and fatherless. "Turn unto the prayer of the poor and destitute, and deliver the children appointed unto death. God shall arise, and have mercy on Zion. Yea, the time is come."

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"O make wars to cease in all the world," according to your blessed promise by King David, thy messenger.

Men say, "the world was always full of wars, murders, and crimes; and so it will always be," because they see vast armaments continually prepared for battles. "The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong," O God, when "thy indignation falls upon all nations, and upon all their armies," for in that hour unbelievers shall be exterminated, as *traitors* against thee.

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*The First and Second Resurrection explained, or the Revelations of Daniel and John.*

"Heaven is God's *throne;* the earth is his *footstool.*"

"The Lord of Hosts shall reign in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, BEFORE his ancients, gloriously." *Isaiah* xxiv.

"This is the FIRST resurrection; over such the SECOND* death hath no power.... but they shall be PRIESTS of God, and of Christ, and shall reign with him 1000 years." *Rev.* xx.

No flesh is exempt from natural death, till the last day. Hence this cannot apply to *bodies and souls* of departed saints.†

The Lord of Hosts (Christ) has reigned over the Gentiles *before* his ancients REIGN, to all of whom he promised crowns of glory; but he has not yet reigned *gloriously,* but partially, exposed to continual traitors against his kingdom,

This important passage has been misinterpreted by commentators, imagining Christ must reign BEFORE (i. e.

* "Death and hell were cast into the lake of fire; this is the *second death.* Whoever was not found written in *the book of life* was cast into the lake of fire." *Rev.* xx.

The SECOND DEATH is the eternal death of body and soul in hell. "He who overcometh shall not be hurt of the SECOND DEATH." *Rev.* ii.

† A friend once made the following sensible remark, serving much to chop down the vague notions entertained about the first resurrection before the Millenium: "If every body born since the creation arose to live again 1000 years on earth, how could this world contain them all at once? We should be thicker than forest trees, without room to move or breathe."



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*in the presence of*) his *ancients* or *saints:* but the word BEFORE bears a double meaning; it often means *in the presence of people,* but equally often means *before certain times or events* to come!!!

Now this alludes, certainly, to Christ's *invisible* reign, BEFORE the *general* resurrection, when his saints are also to reign gloriously; it does not allude to the ANCIENT SAINTS reigning with Christ *on earth.*

"This shall be written for the people that are to come after, and the people that *shall be born* shall praise the Lord," according to Psalm cii.

"A people whom I have not known shall serve me, as soon as they hear of me they shall obey.... can a nation be born at once?"

The saints' and martyrs' return to this earth to reign is no where promised in the Bible, but quite the contrary; there would be no need of faith if their SOULS returned to their bodies revived on earth.

The great captain and conqueror, Christ, *may cause a people to be born,* perfect, *like Adam and Eve* (this is *the first resurrection*) who shall obey and praise the Lord our righteousness most *gloriously* on earth; but as flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven, IN HEAVEN, the quick and dead must be changed or born again at *the last resurrection* of all flesh. "Ye must be born again; marvel not at this."—"Heaven is God's throne; the earth is his footstool;" remember this always if we wish to understand Christ's reign.

"I saw the *souls* of the saints [martyrs], and they lived and reigned with Christ 1000 years; this is *the first resurrection* [for it will be an emblem of it, while the devil is chained], over such, the *second* death hath no power;" but *natural* death, or FIRST *death,* shall continue.

Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Noah, Daniel, Job, &c. all died naturally; therefore, this prophecy has been *universally,* and I dare say, improperly applied to *all believers'* bodies since the creation (instead of the martyrs' souls, like John,

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Stephen, &c.), and to the *resurrection of all believers' bodies,* TO REIGN UPON EARTH.

The words, however, plainly contradict the received common opinion (under which the real interpretation has remained closed up or sealed so long), for the SOULS of martyrs can only be SPIRITS, in paradise with Christ.

It is very certain, that men's *souls* are not ordained to live *twice upon earth,* by *reunion with their bodies,* by resurrection, as the Druids thought, since there is no divine promise, and no revelation about it, except what the builders of Babylon the Great have conjured up, who "*prophecy deceits.*"

The SOULS *of saints* once "absent from the body, are present with the Lord," according to the apostles; any other doctrine is druidical and diabolical, like the transmigration of souls: it is blasphemy and nonsense, a delusion and lie, whereby our arch enemy seeks his prey, *like a roaring lion.*

When Christ's spirit descends on all, as it did on 3000 at the *first* day of *Pentecost,* then, as Daniel declares, "many who sleep in the earth may arise" in the same way the bodies (the FIRST FRUITS) of several saints did at Christ's crucifixion, when the graves opened, and many bodies arose and appeared *in Jerusalem.**

"BUT the rest of the DEAD lived not AGAIN [as they do now, dead in sin] till the thousand years were ended."

Words cannot express the mystery clearer, that the saints' bodies must continue to die once as they do now; but the souls of all born during the Millenium (in *Adam's* original perfect image, the image of God) will be saved from the *second death* in hell. "This is the first resurrection, on such the second death [during the Millenium] hath no power;" they shall be PRIESTS.

The words are confounded by the learned "DOCTORS OF

"The vail of the temple was rent in twain; the earth quaked; the rocks rent; the graves opened, and many bodies of the saints which slept arose [after Christ's crucifixion], and appeared to many *in Jerusalem.*" Matt. xxviii.

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DIVINITY," but apply to the two classes of all the souls and bodies of saved saints, and lost sinners; "the rest of the dead" refers to sinners "dead in trespasses and sins," as we daily see many now. During the Millenium, all that are born will believe, obey, and be saved by Christ. After the Millenium, the world will relapse into sin again, exactly as it is this day, and "*the rest of the dead,*" will be born, and added, till the last day, to the number of sinners who have entered and departed this world since the creation, who have died without believing Christ.

The gospel is ordained to be "*glad tidings of great joy to all people;*" hitherto, the devil has reigned among men, who have made *a hell of the earth*, as far as possible, by all sorts of crimes, murders, robberies, adulteries, &c.

Christ (*the conqueror*) said, "The hour is coming, and now is, when *the dead* shall hear my voice." Christ then spoke to the DEAD, even *the dead in trespasses and sins.*

It will be equal to a resurrection, when *all flesh* hear Christ's voice, for human nature shall be restored to innocence (like Adam and Eve) for he will write his laws in *all hearts*, during the Millenium, after which the *devil* must be loosed a short season. Then the *rest of the dead shall be born* in sin, as they are now, at and before the end of the world, *after the Millenium;* during which, none, dead in trespasses and sins, will *be born*, for "the spirit giveth life."

*The rest of the dead,* must mean the sinners who drag down divine fire to consume the world; and this LAST miracle will exceed the *first*, for it will be mysterious how such a *general falling away* can happen (after God's and Christ's *glorious* reign) on earth. *All men are dead prodigal sons* (for sin slew the apostles), who, if they turn to God, are *alive again.*

Christ never spoke of more than *one universal resurrection* DAY. There is no express promise of more than *one* resurrection from the dust: one is enough. If the world experienced a FIRST *resurrection* from graves, there would

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be no *faith necessary* to believe the *second* resurrection. The prophet *Ezra* saith, " *Faith* shall flourish, and *truth* [the gospel], which hath been so long [1830 years] without fruit, shall be declared." Deceit and bribery shall be put out.

The gospel has suffered dreadful WINTERS, but " *know the* SUMMER *is at hand*," even " *glad tidings of great joy*," as the angels of God declared, and sung gloriously at Christ's birth, viz. " Fear not; for, behold, I bring you GOOD TIDINGS *of great* JOY, *which shall be to* ALL *people* .... glory to God — *on earth peace* — good will toward men." God's perfect will has never yet been done on earth, for the WILL of God is, that none should perish, but that all may believe, repent, and live; but his spirit " will not always strive with man."

Only a few martyrs and saints have accepted the gospel ever since its proclamation, for ALL nations have been covetous, selfish, idolatrous, and blood-thirsty, and are more disposed to all sorts of crimes than ever; consequently, nothing but the *Almighty* arm can change the hearts of men, " desperately wicked, and deceitful above all things," rendering in vain the united efforts of all Christians. " They shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, *know the Lord*, for ALL shall know me, from the *least* to the *greatest*."

*At the end of the world*, " The Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and trump of God, and the dead, in Christ, shall rise FIRST; then they which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord IN THE AIR, and so ever be with the Lord." 1 *Paul to Thessalonians* iv.

" Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God."

" We shall not all die, but we shall be changed."

" In the last days there shall be *traitors*," &c.

O readers, *traitors* have existed *in all ages*, from the

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beginning; and this (as a prophecy) must have some other meaning, and it means that in these our days there shall be *traitors against* CHRIST, "the King of kings;" every man is a traitor who denies his Majesty's blessed *word* and *will.*

"Unto them that look for Christ, shall he appear *the second time* without sin, unto salvation," at the day of judgment; but if he come *personally* at the *Millenium,* he must appear *the third time,* which is no where promised in Scripture.

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*Remarks on Mr. Cuninghame's Review of Dr. Wardlaw's Sermon on the Millenium.*

Dr. Wardlaw, of Glasgow, endeavours to prove the resurrection of the MARTYRS (revealed in the apocalypse) is not REAL, but FIGURATIVE, and says, the second PERSONAL advent of our Lord does not take place till the end of the Millenium. The doctor is right in the last point; but the fact is, both these learned gentlemen appear to me full of confusion. Who shall decide, but Christ, when doctors disagree?

The resurrection of the SOULS of the *martyrs* is not *figurative,* but a REAL vision of paradise, UNCONNECTEDLY. The *second personal* advent of Christ will surely not take place till after the Millenium (as Dr. Wardlaw asserts); for *three advents* are not promised, except as the next promised day of *Pentecost,* upon ALL flesh!!! Even earthly princes reign invisibly, for several years, by mighty ministers. God will rule and reign by legions of holy angels; it is derogatory to the praise and glory of God to expect Christ before the last day, who said, "it is finished."

Mr. Cuninghame *sagaciously* says, "People who hold the *common doctrine* undervalue the resurrection, and speak of the body as if it were the only vail of separation between the saints and Christ, than which sentiment, I

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scarcely know any thing more decidedly opposed to the whole divine revelation." — "What new doctrine is this?"

What? if true, let Mr. Cuninghame tell the world what divides *man* from his *God*, but simple sinful flesh, and if he cannot, *let him for ever hold his peace.* Vir sapit qui pauca loquitur.

In the name of the Holy Trinity, pray, what else can separate saints from Christ but flesh and blood, which cannot enter PARADISE nor HEAVEN? "Flesh and blood cannot enter the kingdom of God." St. Stephen exclaimed, with his last breath, "Lord Jesus receive my spirit." Why are mysteries conjured up by doctors, which they do not pretend to answer or interprete? "Can the blind lead the blind?" Far, far from the world's being united by the gospel light, a million doctrines have been raised from one, and how few, indeed, know their right from their left hands? Alas!

A child understands the gospel better than nine doctors among ten, for it is *plain* and *simple.* No opinion can be *orthodox*, because it is ancient.

Vitringa, Mede, Faber, Origen, Macarius, Clement, Pliny, and hosts of interpreters (whose books I have never seen), cannot upset the apostles' language, though they cavil for ever over the various meanings of *one* Greek or Hebrew word, as we see how many uses are made of single words in English dictionaries. Christians look at the whole *tenor*, the true *tenor*, and nothing but the tenor of the *Old and New Testaments*, viz. *Moses and Christ*, or God's *two witnesses.*

In page 76, a most open deliberate delusion of Vitringa's, is approved by Mr. Cuninghame, viz. that "*martyrs, and men like martyrs*, were seen by John, as raised and united to their *bodies.*" The simple *Christian* truth is, John does not once mention one word about their *bodies*, which Christ will "*raise up at the last day.*" Let all men refer to *Rev.* xx. and call common sense to interprete. I hope Christians will concur with me, that John's was a vision

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of *paradise above*, during the *earthly Millenium*, but *quite* UNCONNECTED with it essentially. Much mischief arises from connections of visions, or parts of visions that are as separate as *heaven* and *earth*.*

Why are souls rejoined to bodies before the last day?"

Mr. Cuninghame, in his preface, also says, "We assure Dr. Wardlaw, we conceive the doctrines of our Lord's *personal* reign, and the *first resurrection*, to be precious and glorious truths revealed to the church by the Holy Ghost."

The sound of these two great doctrines, in which Mr. Cuninghame stood almost *alone* at first, hath gone forth to every corner of England, according to his own words, since he published a book on the apocalypse.

I wish Mr. Cuninghame may have the honour to stand alone again. Surely, the doctrine proved a *new light*, and every new light is false, which contradicts the true light.

The doctrine of the Millenium and *first* resurrection is not new, but existed in the primitive church, till both were misrepresented to such degrees, that they were long ago abandoned, if I understand church history.

Even at the destruction of Jerusalem, many Christian saints suspected the end of the world then drew near at hand, all which shows how feeble and fallible the flesh is, for at that time the chief prophecies were unfulfilled relative to the universal falling away from the gospel, and universal idolatry being proclaimed and adopted, under the colour of the gospel, till both God and man should be aroused at the crimes committed against humanity, and against Christ.

"Unto them who look for him shall Christ appear *the second time*, without sin, unto salvation." *Heb.* ix.

"The Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and trump of God; and the dead, in Christ, shall rise FIRST; then they who

* A vision of the blessed martyrs' souls in paradise with Christ in glory, while the people that shall be born during the Millenium, shall praise him on earth, are as separate things as life and death.

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are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall be for ever with the Lord." 1 *Paul to Thess.* iv.

If these precedents be not conclusive against Mr. Cuninghame, the following declaration of *Christ* must be perfectly so to every Christian, viz.:—

"This is the Father's will who hath sent me, that of *all* whom he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day."—"This is the will of him who sent me, that every one who seeth the Son and believeth on him may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up *at the last day.*" John vi.

If Christ descends before the Millenium, I ask both Dr. Wardlaw, Mr. Cuninghame, and all other doctors of divinity, how he can descend at the last day? it would be an ascent, not descent.

Mr. Cuninghame thinks he conquers Dr. Wardlaw's doctrine, by reminding him, that if the souls of the just be already in heaven, then their return (even in symbolical vision) to the surface of the earth, cannot be termed a RESURRECTION, it is a DESCENT. What precious nonsense!

I accidentally saw Mr. Cuninghame's review while the present work was at the press. I have never read either of these *learned* gentlemen's works, and certainly never shall; it is better to read one gospel chapter than a thousand such works; they only serve to confound truth, and confuse the human mind, where simplicity should reign. Nothing but the most imperative duty induces me to make this exposition, but I shall never enter into paper wars or animosities. No wonder the people are in darkness under such delusions, seeing the learned disagree on the clearest points. I hope the truth will pierce them. If they refer to John Engelbrecht's vision of the new heaven and earth, all their doubts may be removed, but I suppose they will not believe Joel, the prophet, viz. "Your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Your sons and your daugh-

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ters shall prophecy. I will pour out my spirit on ALL flesh."

I intend to add Engelbrecht's wonderful vision of "*the new heaven and the new earth*" to my appendix, as it is most important, if it does not too far exceed my limits, because it reveals what has always been held the greatest mystery, that all the saints in heaven know each other (*as one family*), and that all Christians surely rejoin and recognize each other in *heaven*, as they now do on *earth;* what comfort! "If people believe not Moses and the prophets, they will not believe, though Christ rose from the dead" to procure *eternal salvation for the whole world.*

Let us, however, remember the last day of Pentecost, and that the revelations and visions were not given to St. John till A. D. 96, which was twenty-six years after the destruction of Jerusalem, and, I believe, sixty-two years after Christ's resurrection, if I understand chronology.

How Protestants, Lutherans, Calvinists, Socinians or Unitarians or Deists, Baptists, Wesleyans, Methodists, Jews, Jesuits, Pagans, Romans, and Turks, swarm worse than Tartars, cannibals, Hottentots, and slaves, in the most diabolical confusion!

Half the world lives to plague and deceive the other half. All who know this world *most*, like it the *least*.

Anxiety kills more than swords.

"It is better to fall into the hands of God than man."

I must leave these, and all other multitudes of *doctors of Divinities*, to settle the million questions they have started, for they have created "*Babylon the Great*" out of the light which shineth for ever—"verily, they have their reward." —"They strain at gnats, and swallow camels."

How can they escape the damnation of hell?

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## GOD'S DECLARATION OF UNIVERSAL WAR, AND UNIVERSAL PEACE.

"What new doctrine is this?" *Mark* i. 27.

"One king shall be king to them all. The Lord is our LAWGIVER, JUDGE, and KING. Behold, I make a new thing."

"The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine."

"The secret of the Lord is among men who fear him. Preach the word, reprove, rebuke, exhort."

"There is none that doeth good; no, not one."

"A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land." *Jer.* v.

"Prophecy, and say, O ye MOUNTAINS [high priests, princes, and people], hear the word of the Lord God."

"Behold, I will bring a sword upon you, and destroy your high places; your altars shall be desolate." *Ezek.*

"Thrash the mountains, and make the hills as chaff. Behold, I will make thee [O Christian] a new sharp thrashing instrument." *Isaiah* xli.

"Behold, I am against thee, O destroying *mountain*, saith the Lord, who destroyest all the earth." *Jer.* li.

"Hear, O ye *mountains*, the Lord's controversy." *Micah* vi.—"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."—"Except ye repent, ye shall all perish."

"Who art thou, O great mountain" [or proud man]? *Zec.* iv.—"Why hop ye so, ye high hills."* *David.*

"Who hath taken this counsel against [Babylon the Great, Christendom] the crowning city, whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers *are the honourable of the earth?*"

* The interpretation is—why do high priests and ministers fly about like *weather-cocks, at every blast*, doing and undoing, or halting between two opinions continually.



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"The Lord of Hosts hath PURPOSED it, to stain the pride of all glory, and TO BRING INTO CONTEMPT ALL THE HONOURABLE OF THE EARTH." *Isaiah* xxiii.

"One thousand shall flee at the rebuke of one."

"There is no king can be saved by the multitude of a host."—"Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord."

"They that work in fine flax, and *weave net works*, shall be confounded." *Isaiah* xix.

"Yet once more, behold, I shake the heaven and the earth."—"Let *the earth* [all men] hear, and all that is therein, for the *indignation of the Lord is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies.*"

"At Babylon [the Great, Christendom] shall fall the slain of *all* the earth." *Jer.* li.

"There shall be one fold, and one shepherd" [during the *Millenium*]. Ezek. xxxvii.

"Woe to the bloody city! it is full of lies and robbery."

"I will make a man more precious than fine gold."

"Cursed be the man who trusteth in man."—"Blessed is the man who trusteth in the Lord." *Jer.* xvii.

"Arise, and let us go by night, and destroy her palaces." *Isaiah* vi.—"The crown of pride; the drunkards shall be trodden down."

"Sit thou [Christ] on my right hand, till I make thine enemies *thy* footstool." *Psalms.*

"Christ maketh wars to cease in all the world. He shall famish the gods of the earth."

"Every one shall, in his own land, LEAVE the battle" [against Christ].—"They shall LEARN war no more."

"O ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"

"Ask of me [Christ], and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." *Psalm* ii.

"The wicked flee when none pursue."

"The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take

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counsel together against the Lord, and against his anointed" [Christ].

"AN END [of the devil's first reign], an end is come upon the four corners of the earth."

"They say, the Lord hath forsaken the earth." *Ezekiel.*

"I am the first and the last." *Isaiah* xliv. and xlviii.

"The first shall be last, and the last first." *Christ.*

"I am *alpha* and *omega*, the first and the last." *Christ.*

"Men shall seek death, and shall not find it."

"Put no confidence in princes."—"Search the Scriptures."

"Do my prophets no harm. It is hard to kick against the pricks."

"Men shall cast their idols of gold and silver to the moles and bats [i. e. they shall *bury* them], and shall go into caves and rocks when the Lord ariseth to shake terribly the earth. They shall call on the mountains to cover them."—"The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance."—"The Lord abhors blood-thirsty men."

"All shall know God, from the least to the greatest."

"Look unto God, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth."

"The wine-press is trodden [under God's wrath], and [heathen] blood came out unto the horse bridles."

"A sword is upon the liars."

"I will punish those who fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit."

"Howl, ye inhabitants, for all the merchant people are cast down."

"Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven."

"Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is kept back by fraud, crieth; and the cries of them who have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord." *St. James* v.

"Whoso hateth his brother is a *murderer*."

"Love thy neighbour as thyself. I love God's commands above *gold*."



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"Owe no man any thing, but love one another."

"We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost." *Acts* xix.

"Behold, I work a work in your days which ye will not believe, though a man declare it unto you; what I say unto *one* I say unto *all*."—"He who exalteth himself shall be abased, and he who humbleth himself shall be exalted."

"Behold, I set before thee this day good and evil, a blessing and a curse, life and good, death and evil, choose: a blessing, if ye obey; a curse, if ye obey not the commands of the Lord your God." *Deut.* xi.

"Every tree [or man] bringing forth not good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire."—"Cursed is he who doeth the work of the Lord deceitfully."—"Escape for your life."—"We ought to obey God rather than man."—"Separate yourselves from *heathen* congregations, that I [God] may consume them in a moment." *Moses.*

"Samuel raised an *altar, in his house,* to the Lord."

"Fear not, Daniel, for from *the first day thou didst set thine* heart to understand, thy words were heard."

Let now the astrologers, star-gazers, and prognosticators of almanacs stand up and save. "Behold, fire shall consume them."—"Evil communications corrupt good manners."

"They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies."—"Every one going beyond to defraud his brother."

"The *crooked* shall be made *straight*" [i. e. by death].

"Ye cannot serve two masters."—"Ye cannot serve God and mammon." *Christ.*

"The storks, turtles, cranes, and swallows, observe the time of their coming, but my people know not the judgment of the Lord."

"The daughters of Zion [or Christendom] are haughty, and walk with stretched-forth necks, and wanton eyes, mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet: therefore, the Lord will smite them." *Isaiah* iii.

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"He who looketh on a woman to lust after her, hath already committed adultery in his heart."—"Go, and sin no more."—"Tremble ye women that are at ease; many days and years shall ye be troubled: thou saidst, I shall be a lady for ever."

"A people whom I have not known shall serve me; as soon as they hear of me they shall obey me." *Psalm* xviii.

"The shepherds slumber; thy nobles shall dwell in the dust."—"The sword is without; famine and pestilence within."

"Let the saints rejoice in their beds .... Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled."

"One thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand [O Christian believer], but it [pestilence, famine, and fire] shall not come nigh thee."

"Five shall chase one hundred, and one hundred shall put ten thousand to flight; all hands shall be feeble, and all knees weak as water."—"I will execute vengeance in anger, *such as they have not heard.*"

"Draw waters for the siege; fortify the strong holds."

"Ye strain at gnats, and swallow camels."

"Prove all things; hold fast what is good."

"Beware of wolves in sheep's clothing."

"This is the will of God, that we believe in Christ, whom he has sent."—"Be ye doers, not hearers of the gospel."

"Thou shalt not be afraid of any terror by night, nor for pestilence, nor sickness, that destroyeth in noon-day." *Psalm* xci.

"Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, or cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares, as men whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is their shame."

"Where the CARCASE is, there will the EAGLES be gathered together."



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"Watch, for ye know not when the master of the WORLD cometh; at *eve*, at *midnight*, at the *cock crowing*, or in the *morning*."

"Be no more children tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine, by the *sleight of men*, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive."

"Am I become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?"—"Blessed are the peace-makers."

"False Christs and false prophets shall arise and deceive many."

"Oh come, let us sing unto the Lord a new song, for he hath done marvellous things."

"The Lord is our LAWGIVER, JUDGE, and KING!!"

"O praise the Lord, with cymbals, harps, organs, and dances."—"Resist not evil, for vengeance is God's."

"Resist the devil, and he will flee from thee."

"Listen, O isles! Let God be true, and every man a liar."—"If ye keep my commands I will give you peace in the land, and none shall make you afraid."

"He who denieth Christ before men, Christ will deny before his Father [God] in heaven."

"Howl, ye inhabitants of the isle. The gold is mine, and the silver is mine."

"He who receiveth a prophet, in the name of a prophet, shall receive a prophet's reward. A prophet has no honour in his own country. The spirit of the prophets is subject to the prophets."

"They shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them." *Ezek.* v.

"Bastards shall not enter into the congregation of the Lord."

"I will consume man and beast, and every green herb."

"Behold, I will send you ELIJAH, the prophet, before the GREAT AND TERRIBLE day of the Lord." *Malachi.*

"The Lord's gifts and mercies are *new* every morning." *Jer. Lament.* iii.

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"All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer (believing), ye shall receive." *Matt.* xxi.

"Blessed are they which have not seen, but believe." Credite operibus.—"He who believeth in me [Christ] hath everlasting life."—"God hath made *of one blood* all the nations of men."—"I found an altar with this inscription, '*To the unknown God.*'" Acts xvii.

"*The prince of this world* cometh." *John* xiv.

"*An* evil, AN only evil, behold, is come. AN end is come; the end is come." *Ezek.* vii.

"The meek shall inherit the earth, for whom it was created."—"Jerusalem shall be inhabited, as towns without walls, for I, saith the Lord, will be *a wall of fire* round about." *Zec.* ii.

"When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him." *Prov.* xvi.

"They who *believe* shall be saved, and they who believe not shall be *damned.*"

"If thy brother, thy son, thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or friend, entice thee secretly, saying, let us go and serve strange gods, thou shalt not consent, nor hearken unto him, neither shall thine eye pity, neither shalt thou spare, nor conceal him, but thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people."

"If you put the brethren in remembrance of these things, you shall be a good minister of Jesus Christ."

"Visit the sick; feed the hungry; clothe the naked."

"Do unto all men as you would be done unto."

"One jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass, till all be fulfilled." *Matt.* v.

"The word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword."

"Send labourers [gratis] into thy vineyard to the harvest. Separate the wheat from the tares."

"Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord." Amen.



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# THE DAWN OF THE MILLENIUM;

OR,

## THE MARRIAGE OF LOVE AND REASON.*

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FRIENDSHIP, like love, is but a name,
Unless to CHRIST we owe the flame.
Reason erects a thousand claims,
Disputes the TRUTH she oft proclaims:
Apples of discord, REASON sows,
Except she owns and sees she flows,
From his hands *who built all things*,
"The Lord of all — the King of kings."
Then REASON seizes *love* by force—
While we respect the gracious source—
Then LOVE and REASON, hand in hand,
Agree to travel through the land †,
United by the marriage bond,
How mild and meek, how pure and fond!
Assist each other through dark vales
Where lust or passion oft assails;
Resolved to tempt all travellers fair.
But *love* and *reason* both forbear
To touch or taste forbidden fruit;
They follow only in pursuit
Of innocent and holy mirth,
Protected by *the Saviour's birth.*
The devil's malice, once so strong,
Proves then as useless as its wrong;
His rage is stopt against all saints,
Who live when hellish malice faints.
Let Christ from heaven show "the way"
All shall one thousand years obey.

* Written extempore in a garden, commanding a most magnificent view of the Seine, and the town, after seeing the procession of the host pass at the foot of the hill, followed by crowds of idolators.

† Our passage through life is a journey to our Father's house. "GOD IS LOVE."

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## CHAPTER VIII.

*Observations on* "THE RESTORATION OF THE JEWS."—THE JEWS' *and Christians' Pedigrees, &c.*

"BEHOLD, I will make them of *the synagogue of satan,* who say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie." *Rev.* ii.

"Because thou hast kept my word, I also will keep thee *from the hour of temptation,* which shall come upon *all the world* to try them." *Rev.* iii.

Christ expressly ordered John to write to the church, "I know thy works, tribulation, and poverty (but thou art rich), and *I know their blasphemy who say they are* JEWS, AND ARE NOT, *but are the* SYNAGOGUE OF SATAN." *Rev.* ii.

It is most extraordinary to me, how I am led to such chapters and verses, as serve to remove my last standing doubts!! This doubt, however, was almost *the first Christ saw necessity to remove,* when he made his revelations to John, A.D. 96, or 26 years after the destruction of Jerusalem!!

The Jews had then suffered the destruction of the temple and city, as Christ foretold them; they had witnessed earthquakes and darkness at noon at Christ's crucifixion, also the *day of Pentecost,* without believing him, like the centurion, who exclaimed, "*Truly, this man was the Son of God.*"—"Lord, I believe; help thou my unbelief." We are all sure to stray, except we keep close by the gospel, which, aided by God, leads us into the truth. Christ disclaimed being *David's son,* and David confirmed Christ, whom he called LORD; therefore, Christ was *not* a Jew, except inasmuch as *he outwardly and inwardly obeyed all the laws of God given to Moses.* The gospel says, *all* believers are *one* in Christ; even Greeks, Jews, and Gentiles of all nations.

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The Jews *once believed God*, and till they believe *Christ*, are "*the synagogue of satan*, and *not Jews*." So, Christians may replace Jews, and Jews replace Christians; none but *the people of God* can march to possess Jerusalem, when converted by Christ.

The seventh chapter of Revelations appears to reveal one of the greatest mysteries of God towards the Jews:—

"An angel cried, hurt not the earth, &c. till we have sealed the servants of our God." Twelve thousand each of the twelve tribes of Israel were sealed, making 144,000. By this vision, we believe God undertakes to re-collect the twelve tribes which are utterly confounded, or spread over the world.

These 144,000 must be *saved*, and are perhaps already *sealed*, prior to the battle of ARMAGEDDON, throughout Christendom. No Jew can be God's servant, without believing his Son, Christ. For instance, there may be living at this moment, or soon may be born 144,000 STEADFAST BELIEVERS *of the gospel* (whose primo genitors may have been Jews), without knowing they have descended from Jewish blood, because none can be servants of God but Christians!! Hence, I believe THE JEWS are not promised to be restored to Jerusalem, AS JEWS, but such, like St. Paul, who have become or may very soon become Christians. I believe some Jews must follow Paul's example, for they have forfeited Christ's promises till they do. It is extraordinary, but I have lately been assured of several *gentlemen* being descended from JEWS, whose families have long been reputed *Christians;* but no genealogies or pedigrees, less than divine, can show the facts.

Let not Christendom slumber, but arise in THE EAST, without waiting for the Jews, who disbelieve *Christ's genealogy*, and impute his miracles to the devil, and, consequently, belong to his synagogue everlastingly. At all events, 144,000 persons appear destined to escape the *universal desolation*, decreed throughout the Bible, so little

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properly regarded, and misconstrued so long. This veil must be torn off, and then the beauties of prophecies will be a million times more adored than blasphemed. It is of no consequence by what name *the people of God* are called, since it is by their *hearts* all men are known by him. The Jews must be of satan's synagogue who are so blind as not to see Moses, and all the prophets, were fulfilled by Christ, who (as was so long predicted, entered Jerusalem upon an ass.

"The sceptre shall not depart from Judah till the Messiah or Christ come."

According to this prediction, made so many centuries before the advent, the sceptre and lawgiver did depart from Judah when Shiloh or Christ came, 1830 years ago, when the Jews cried, "*we have no king but Cæsar*" the Roman. A most miraculous thing is, that very few Jews have been convinced by all the miseries and rebukes they have continued to suffer, even to this day, since Jerusalem fell, in the blood of a million souls, exactly as Christ foretold. What more could have been done for God's church or vineyard?

Various absurd reports are abroad, that Mr. Rothschild has offered to purchase Jerusalem for two million sterling. Who can sell it? and if purchased, who can insure one hour's peaceable possession, but the real owner, *the lord of the manor*, Christ, whom Jews still despise and blaspheme. The Turks and Russians cannot guarantee a day's possession, who (like Christendom) are *at war with Christ*. Nicholas abolished the Russian Bible Society, A.D. 1826. How can he be a *Christian?* After every infidel is destroyed by their own hands, by electric fire from heaven, famine, and pestilence, Christians shall be left in quiet sole possession of this world, and shall march triumphantly under Christ's banner into Jerusalem, without any weapon, but Christ's double-edged sword. O Christ, hasten thy appointed hour to march! We long to join the holy procession more than to possess all the gold and

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silver mines of this world. O Christ, collect all thy labourers and *soldiers* against sin! Then shall *Palestine and paradise* be restored, and the wilderness become thy vineyard to every soul thirsting for the waters of everlasting life, through thy atonement on the cross. Christians are scattered, indeed (much like *the Jews*), over all the world; yet, to Christian believers, "*one fold and one shepherd*" are promised, both in heaven and earth.

It is evident, that believers and unbelievers never agree together, therefore, all unbelievers must be extinguished from the earth, who would prevent Christ's blessed decrees of *perfect unanimity*, when *all* human creatures shall worship and praise his holy name. The seed of Abraham is the seed of *faith*.

I say every man is *a* JEW who believes the gospel, for even Pilate allowed the title upon the cross. Every man who is an unbeliever is not a Jew, but a blasphemer. Strong attempts are made once more to offer the gospel to the Jews, and *a few* embrace it, but the hour of mercy will soon be passed, and all who do not enter the fold to-day, may die and go down "ALIVE" into the pit to-morrow.

Moses confirms St. Jerom and Chrysostom's opinion, that the Jews will see no end of their existing captivity.

"Usque ad finem mundi perseverabit vastitas Judæorum."

After describing God's dreadful curses against *unbelief*, if they would not hearken, Moses said, "All these curses shall come, overtake, and pursue thee till thou be *destroyed*, and they shall be *upon thee*, and UPON THY SEED, for A SIGN AND FOR A WONDER FOR EVER." *Deut.* xxviii.

How clear God's promises and threats abound! "What Christ said to one he said unto all"—Jews as well as Christians—who are left to take their free choices. Again, God said, "Though I make an end of all nations, yet will I not make a full end of thee [*O Christian!* not a blasphemous Jew, who *still* denies Christ], but I will gather THEE out of all nations," whether descended from *Jews*,

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*Greeks, Turks, or pagans*, if ye believe and repent; if not, ye will be consumed when the kingdom of God comes on earth, for ye shall not live to vex or torment *my people* any more!!

The Jews still disbelieve God, though they endure all the curses, yet expect his blessings, contrary to Christ's assurance, that "*all who believe not shall be damned.*"

There are evidently *a few Christians scattered* over all the earth (exactly like the Jews), and, perhaps not more numerous, who (like Lot) are vexed with the filthy conversation and works of all that surround them, in war, blasphemy, idolatry, &c.; all of whom, Christ, the shepherd, will re-collect from all parts into one fold, and not for *Christian men's* sakes, but for the glory of God's holy name will he do this, for all flesh is polluted; even *the angels are unholy* in comparison with Christ.

*The highest and oldest pedigrees* in Christendom are very imperfect, even if the proud HERALDS *College* registers be correct, none, I believe, extending farther back than *William the Conqueror.** The secret rests with God alone,

* According to Burke's Peerage, just published, *the most ancient pedigrees* appear to be, viz.:—

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| In England, | Duke of Norfolk | 1483 |
| | Duke of Somerset | 1546 |
| | Duke of Richmond | 1675 |
| | Marquis of Winchester | 1551 |
| | Marquis of Lansdowne | 1784 |
| | Earl of Shrewsbury | 1442 |
| | Earl of Derby | 1485 |
| | Viscount Hereford | 1542 |
| | Viscount Bolingbroke | 1712 |
| | Baron de Ros | 1264 |
| | Baron de Spencer | 1264 |
| | Baron de Clifford | 1269 |
| In Ireland, | Leinster, the only Irish duke (except Wellington) | 1766 |
| | Viscount Gormanston | 1478 |
| | Baron Kingsdale | 1181 |
| | Baron Trimbleston | 1461 |
| In Scotland, | Earl of Sutherland | 1228 |
| | Earl of Errol | 1452 |

George III. and IV. created 235 peers. The bulk of the British nobility have been created by George III. during the French revolutionary war. The Herald's College was established in 1340, by Richard III. killed at Bosworth, whose coffin was a horse trough, at Leicester. I understand, some *female* lines are recorded, down to the Saxon line, at the Herald's College.

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who knows the primo genitors, and if known, might make many noble lords and ladies blush, who look upon coblers and tailors worse than favourite spaniels; for in England there are many who wish (like Mr. Horner) to play upon the highest stage, above the cross of St. Paul: but the higher men stand, the deeper is the danger of falling. "Much is required from those to whom much is *given*."

We continually see people changing religions, and rising and falling in the world, for nothing in it is immutable but the gospel. Since writing this, I find by several answers given by the Jews to questions put in 1806, by Napoleon, that even the Jews do not now forbid intermarriages with Christians; this is quite at variance with Moses.

When the Romans were emancipated, the legislature saw no danger in the precedent; they opened wide the flood gates upon our constitution of 1688, who, on many former occasions, saw the greatest dangers from moving one inch, or making a single precedent at variance with *human laws*, or vested and legal rights, especially, whenever legislative abuses were mentioned, with views to proper reformation. The same legislative bodies saw no danger in tampering with eternal laws, which must flourish when heathens perish.

There seems far less civil, ecclesiastical, or *political* danger in accepting the Jews as brothers and sisters than Romans, whose principles are continentally rooted; but to me the dangers are alike, because Jews and Romans deny the gospel, or pervert it. The difference between Jews and Romans consist in the Roman rites being more specious and delusive, for they use the name of Christ, but pray to his mother, as having authority to command her son Christ's blessing, which is a direct violation of *the first law of God.*

"If any man bring to you any other doctrine than Christ's, receive him not. A man that is a heretic, after the second or third admonition, reject."—"Be not carried about with every wind of doctrine, like children, by the

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sleight or craft of men, whereby they would delude you." —"If any man believe not the gospel, NOTE that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed, yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother. Exhort one another daily; pray one for another." *Gospel.*

It is blasphemous to single out a few chapters or verses, and then to interprete them contradictorily to the whole tenor or spirit of the gospel, as too many have unfortunately done in past and present ages.

At present there is not one among a million knowing his pedigree above a few centuries past, and few of these can depend upon traditionary reports, so that it is clear, there may be many descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, utterly ignorant of their pedigrees, who may now or very soon embrace the gospel!!! None but God himself knoweth who are Jews or Christians, either by descent or conversion; but he has marked false Jews with a curse. (Vide *Deut.* xxviii.)

It is a mystery which no man can solve, but God will manifestly accomplish all his works, in ways which *the world* has never had the least dream of. If we believe Christ, it matters not what religion our fathers professed, because we shall not be condemned on that account.

The living Jews, Gentiles, Romans, Turks, Jesuits, &c. declaring Christ an impostor, drag judgment on their bodies and souls, and, I believe, such will be utterly exterminated during the *universal* tribulation.

Young children may, however, be mercifully spared and converted, while their fathers and mothers perish before their eyes. On the other hand, the Jews' young children may possibly again populate old JERUSALEM, if they accept Christ's *new covenant*, as no man can be saved by the *old law*, which killeth every soul. "Our labour is not in vain in the Lord, Christ," *the ruler of princes, priests, and people.* The substance of my humble labour, in this chapter, is to show how God may collect believers, and deliver them from unbelievers, upon the earth, according

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to his blessed promise, and give Christians the earth as their inheritance. One thing is certain, that God's scattered children will every one be saved and collected, while their enemies die before their faces. We are not to be curious how God will accomplish this, but rather to seek how we may escape.

The legislature votes this year to admit Jews, because last year they admitted Romans. The Jews have as much right and reason to be officers as Romans, and if it were right to admit idolators, it is the same thing to admit blasphemers; therefore (following the precedent which Sir Charles Wetherell* called the death warrant), the Jews ought to have been emancipated in *the first bill*, and upon the same ground, why not Turks, atheists, deists, pagans, &c. *if God have given us no standard to direct and obey?*† I am far from compelling any man to conform to any church. I would leave them at liberty to worship devils, provided they kept them in cellars or private closets, but PUBLIC blasphemers ought not to corrupt rising generations as they do with impunity. (See p. 105, and *Rev.* ix.)

When mayors and magistrates were exempted, in 1828, from the *Lord's supper*, in *high* churches, they ought unanimously to have agreed to receive it in *low churches;* for I verily believe, a man who refuses to obey Christ's command is hardly fit to do public justice to the lives and property of men, women, and children. No man is compelled to accept *public* duties, and, therefore, none are forced to receive the sacrament against their conscience; but if officers and magistrates object to the divine test, they ought not to enter upon public duties.

Human nature covets the pensions, leading men *into*

* The common council of London, at Guildhall, have this 19 May, 1830, declared Jews, Turks, deists, Romans, &c. eligible as members of the corporation, by a majority of 25, to hold the offices of lord mayors, aldermen, &c.

What is this, but affixing the seal upon BABYLON THE GREAT? We may soon have a rich Jew at the *Mansion House* at this horrid rate, or *Jews and bishops* allied together!!!

† "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine [the gospel] receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed."

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*temptations*, who, perhaps, never pray to be delivered from evil, viz. " from our GHOSTLY *and bodily enemies*."

I once lately attended an assembly, called the Philo-Judæan Society, and heard a Dr. Biber discourse upon " the restoration of *the* JEWS" nearly two hours. If I understood rightly, he thinks the Jews who now deal in old clothes, &c. or their descendants, are destined to rebuild Jerusalem and the temple; but he very properly admitted, that it was impossible for him or any man to convert another, and that it was *impossible for a man to convert himself*.

I thought these the only sensible remarks the doctor made, and found it quite confirmed towards the end of his address, when he alluded to Ezekiel, viz. " Prophecy, and say, *O ye mountains*," &c. which the doctor said was " *a prophecy made to nobody*." I then knew he understood little or nothing upon the subject, and wished to explain my ideas, but I was prevented, because I am a Christian, and none but Jews were at liberty to speak, without previous permission. I declared, this was a bar against due discussions.

I have no wish to cast *pearl* twice before swine, and therefore hope, I employ my time better than to attend such places. I pity the doctor, because I remember the day when I was as ignorant as the doctor is now. How can man suppose God could possibly make prophecies to nobody? A man who would write letters addressed to nobody would be deemed mad or foolish; the assertion is tantamount to a charge of folly against eternal wisdom, and proves how little the Bible is understood by professors, consequently, the people's ignorance is most excusable. The whole Bible is full of similar prophecies, which are unintelligible, except mountains and hills signify high princes, priests, rulers, and proud rich men, continually warring against Christianity, none of whom have ever condescended to interprete the divine allegory.



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"Every mountain and hill shall be laid low." *Isaiah* xl. 4. — "Every valley [humble Christian] shall be exalted."

The Rev. Peter Roberts has published comments on the prophecies, and offers a very *short-sighted* remark upon the 24 chapter of Matthew, viz.: —

"Great as were the miseries of the Jews during the siege of Jerusalem, and their sufferings which first followed it, all these were but "*the beginning of their sorrows,*" which they have experienced for so many centuries. They are not even the first severities, but *the whole course of them,* which are to be *understood* by the words *great tribulation !!* Great it has been, far beyond what any other nation has known. Still they are an elect, a chosen nation; which, had not the days of affliction been providentially shortened, would (*as a nation*) have been extinct. The *tribulation* has not yet wholly lost its influence, but seems drawing to an end."

I shall not offer any rebuke to Mr. Roberts, but it is absolutely necessary to remark, that the Jews are extinct (as a nation), and have been so, exactly as Moses and the prophets predicted it would be, when *Shiloh* or Christ came, as the sceptre and lawgiver, both departed then from the Jews, who, if they believed Moses and the prophets, would see the divinity of Christ realized under the very curses they have suffered, and still suffer, by reason of *unbelief.*

"All things that are written in *the law,* the *prophets,* and in the *Psalms,* relate to Christ, and must be fulfilled."

This is a specimen how the Gentile priests prophecy smooth things, and instead of casting the beam out of their own eyes, vainly attempt to pull the mote out of the Jews' eyes. However, the time is at hand when all will understand the gospel, and the veil be torn off. I hereby contribute my mite towards these glorious revolutions, hoping this book will be translated and circulated every where, as a key to the sealed books in the Bible, for "*all scripture was written for our learning.*"

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Notwithstanding Fox's Book of Martyrs is regarded as a novel, called "the game of life," I cannot conclude, without offering two short extracts from a renowned profane historian of the Jews, to the shrine of the rising generations, who, I (sans vanité) believe, will be my translators and carriers, east, west, north, and south, as "a sling and stone at Goliah," the devil.

"Alexander Jannæus, prince and high priest of the Jews, having been affronted at the feast of tabernacles, made a civil war for six years against his subjects. He carried 800 prisoners to Jerusalem, and caused them all to be crucified in one day, in the presence of their wives and children, whose throats he ordered to be cut. During the execution, Jannæus regaled his wives and concubines in a place whence they beheld this bloody spectacle." Ex Josephus's *Antiquities* xiii. 21.

"At the same time there was one Jesus, a wise man, *if one may justly stile him a man.* He was a great worker of miracles, and a teacher of those that were curious and *desirous to learn the truth,* and he had a great many followers, both Jews and Gentiles. This was the Christ that was accused by the princes and great men of the nation. Pilate delivered him up to the cross; and notwithstanding all this, those that loved him at first did not forsake him. *He was seen alive again the third day after his crucifixion, as had been foretold by several prophets,* with other wonders that he wrought; and there are a sort of people that to this day bear the name of *Christians,* owning him for their head." Ex Josephus's *Antiquities,* book XVIII. chap. iv.

"Remember what our blessed Lord has said:
'Confide in me, ye shall be cloth'd and fed;'
And having food and raiment duly sent,
Praise God on earth, and learn to be content."



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## CHAPTER IX.

DANIEL *and* JOHN'S *Visions unsealed, relative to "the Great* IMAGE *and the Great* TREE," *erect, and now visible all over the Universe, &c.—The Conclusion of the Exposition, which has been sealed up* 2588 *and* 1734 *Years.*

"THE great God hath made known to the king *what shall come to pass hereafter.*" Dan. ii. 45.

"Fear not, Daniel, for *from the first day thou didst set thy heart to understand,* thy words were heard" !!! *Dan.* x. 12.

Daniel interpreted Nebuchadnezzar's dreams concerning THE GREAT IMAGE (composed of all metals) and THE GREAT TREE, visible to all the earth. Daniel declared, the image and tree represented to the king WHAT *would come to pass* IN THE END !!! *

THE IMAGE AND TREE (both erect together this day) are allegorically described in the *second* and *fourth* chapters of DANIEL, whom Christ expressly called a PROPHET; and in direct allusion to "THE IMAGE AND TREE," exclaimed, "When ye shall see *the abomination of desolation* spoken of by Daniel the prophet (*whoso readeth let him understand*), stand in the holy place, then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to THIS TIME, no, nor ever shall be" [even at the end of the world], &c.

Ten or twenty years ago, the 2 and 4 chapters of Daniel appeared quite as unintelligible to me as unknown languages; but the hour is come for *man* to understand, and

* Serious searchers and readers are referred to Chap. V. page 57. May the hour be arrived to *open* and understand all the rest of the mighty events, even *at the door!!* Let us steadfastly follow the divine plough, *straight forwards,* turning neither to the right nor left hand, nothing doubting!!

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*what wonder*, if God unseals what was written, for the Bible is addressed to *man?* Surely, it is incompatible with God's wisdom and mercy to address his creatures in languages or books ordained to remain unknown or sealed for ever.

*The Interpretation.*—The image is BEAUTIFUL to behold, but TERRIBLE. The universal tree is full grown, the LEAVES ARE FAIR, and it affords FRUIT for all mankind (good and bad, Christians and heathens); therefore, THE IMAGE AND TREE are admired and worshipped by all Christendom, consisting of idolators, misers, blasphemers, liars, and sinners of all sorts, now on the point of falling (with the great image and tree) under Christ's hands, who expressly gives the orders, "*Cast down the image; hew down the tree;* nevertheless, *leave the stump of his roots* [like Noah, or Adam before he fell] in the earth," i. e. leave a people, whose kingdom shall be sure, after they acknowledge Christ as "*the King of the Jews,*" who bore that title on his cross, and must bear that title again on earth 1000 years. In this manner "the restoration of the Jews" must be fulfilled, in my opinion; otherwise, Christ appears defeated by people who "*blasphemously call themselves Jews, but are of the synagogue of satan.*"

"Behold, a watcher and holy one came down from heaven, and cried aloud, *hew* down the* TREE; *cut off his* BRANCHES; *shake off his* LEAVES, *and scatter his* FRUIT: let the BEASTS of the *field* get away from under it, and the *fowls of heaven* from his *branches.*" Dan. iv. 13, 14.

These verses contain a blessed volume, of which not one word appears ever to have been rightly understood, for

* "Whosoever shall fall on this *stone* [Christ] shall be *broken;* but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to *powder.*" Matt. xxi.

Such is the depraved state of all human nature, and such must it remain till *the great captain* and conqueror binds satan, and breaks our bondage, as there is no other remedy—no other physician in the world. Though he offers the BREAD and WATERS of life, GRATIS, he is trampled upon, while we run after great *doctors, lawyers, and parsons,* who generally inhabit the best houses in every Christian town, and are most exorbitant in their demands for prescriptions, which are nothing but vain experiments or downright *quackery!*



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God sealed the book up. There are four great works about to be performed altogether; "*hew down the tree,*" i. e. chop down all sinners; "cut off the branches," *destroy all the dependants on idolators;* "*shake off the fair leaves,*" i. e. discard and cast off hypocritical priests and people; "*scatter its fruit,*" i. e. divide the fruits of the earth among all the meek, who are now consumed by heathens, *gluttons, and drunkards,* and let the poor have a fair share of the bounties of nature, for "the labourer is worthy of his hire."

Daniel had many visions which he did not understand, and even after angels gave him several interpretations thereof, he did not comprehend them, but *fainted,* was *dumb,* and *troubled,* fell, and remained upon the ground till he was raised up. Consider and examine all this.

"*The four winds of heaven* strove (upon the great sea) against *the four beasts,*" i. e. *the spirit of God continually* strives against *the evil spirit;* but man is fallen so low, and wedded so much to sensual pleasures and appetites, that he is led captive by sin against a million divine protests implanted in his conscience, so that he prefers iniquity to justice — war to peace — hell to heaven. Alas!

*The head of the image is gold,* and "the love of money is the root of all evil." Time itself has unsealed the book, for what else is visible *to the universe at once* but GOLD, misers, idolators, &c.; and the allegories are divinely illustrative of "the tree [and image] whose height reached to heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth."

The feet of the image were composed of CLAY, and denote that the image had no foundation to support its weight, and it resembles the parable of people building their houses upon sands instead of rocks.

Daniel's dreams and visions are sealed from the world till *this time of the end,* or latter days. "God shutteth, and no man openeth. God openeth, and no man shutteth." Daniel and John's dreams and visions have even been sealed from Daniel and John and all the apostles by God's

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decree, whose approaching miracles exceed all others *in the sight of man.* "None of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand."—"Daniel saw one vision, but the men with him saw not the vision, but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves." *Dan.* x. 7.

"Daniel heard but understood not, and said, O my Lord, *what shall be the end of these things?*" Christ answered, "Go thy way, Daniel, for the words are closed and sealed. O, Daniel, shut up the words and seal *the book,* even to *the time of the end.*" This is most important, because we are informed the *whole book of Daniel* is sealed till the end, when "*many* shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." I long to meet the *many* Christians whose knowledge corresponds to this prediction.

The day is certainly arrived to understand what Daniel did not. The great universal *image and tree* (now sapped) have been erected, planted, and defended by all Christendom, against the gospel. None but Christ Almighty can cast and hew both down, for they consist of every "*abomination of desolation*" as already interpreted.

"I saw another *angel* fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto all nations and people, saying, fear God, and give glory to him, for the hour of his judgment is come, and idolators are fallen."

Here is positive assurance that *God must send his angel to proclaim the gospel to all nations,* before all nations can hear it. No *human* power can do it. The *spirit* of Christians may be willing, but *the flesh* is too weak. The work is divine which sends the gospel of salvation to all men's hearts !!!

St. John heard a voice from heaven say, "Seal up those things which *the seven thunders* uttered, and write them not; but when the *seventh* angel shall begin to sound, the mystery of God shall be finished, as declared to the prophets," *Daniel,* Ezra, &c.



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The *seventh* angel began to sound in 1789, and Napoleon's empire rose up soon after, like an *eagle*, who assumed *eagles** as his banners, as confirmed by 12 Esdras. The 13 chapter of Esdras expressly alludes to *the grand battle of Armageddon* †, and affords consolation, for Christ (after having, by one *blast or breath* from his holy mount above, even flaming breath and sparks of fire, destroyed all enemies in battle array against him from all quarters), will then call *another peaceable multitude*, and come down from his holy mount. Esdras ‡ confirms and explains many parts of Daniel and John, relative to this universal battle (against the gospel), and ought to be united to them, rather than discarded; the prophecy is quite complete without Ezra, whom, some say, is not canonical. Had Daniel or John understood the meaning, they would have recorded it, of course.

The world of heathens must deride this exposition as people did *Noah;* nevertheless, it bears the seal of Christ, who stamped it with his blood. Christ acknowledged Daniel a prophet, who alluded to the *universal tribulation* of Christ's enemies, and the deliverance of Christians!! Daniel's revelation was *imperfect* till Christ, in the fullness of time, came to remove all false interpretations.

Daniel's last chapter says, at that time (NOW, while we see "the abomination of desolation," *universal idolatry and covetousness*, usurping God's temple) shall *Michael* (Christ, the great prince of life) stand up, the great prince

* "Where the carcase is there will the EAGLES be gathered together."

† Serious readers will compare 2 and 4 with the 12 and 13 Esdras, which are too voluminous to detail. I must abridge my remarks, contrary to my wishes, but the subject is *inexhaustible*, and I could add volumes of expositions upon expositions, which might, however, not better illustrate the matters, but render them complex or tedious.

If I have haply broken the first seal, there are six more untouched, and may better labourers undertake and succeed in the blessed work, as I have no doubt many will soon do. For my part, I desire nothing more than to devote the rest of my life to the service, praise, and glory of God. May abler labourers catch the *spark* I offer, as the Ark, against the wrath to come, and may we all eat and drink the heavenly bread and wine for ever and ever.

‡ Ezra and Esdras mean the *same prophet*.

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who standeth for the children of God's people, and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was *since there was a nation,* even to that *same* time, and at that time Christians shall be delivered!!

On *cross examination,* it appears, the *deluge* happened *before* scripture informs us that any NATION or *regal* government existed in the world; had the prophecy not been fully expounded by *Christ,* we might have believed the tribulation decreed, far less universal or destructive than the *deluge;* but Christ says, "This gospel* of the kingdom shall be preached or *published* in all the world, for a witness unto [and *against*] *all* nations, and then shall *the end* come [viz. of satan's first reign], when ye shall see '*the abomination of desolation,*' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (whoso readeth, let him understand); then *shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be; and except those days should be shortened there should be no flesh saved; but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.*"—"There shall arise false Christs and false prophets, and deceive many. Pray that your flight [into the mountains of Goshen] be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day."—"Woe unto them who give suck in those days."

Thus we are informed and assured there shall be a *universal tribulation* greater than the *deluge,* and greater than will happen *at the end of this world;* when sinners, far

* There is in our days a movement on the earth, not less miraculous than, at the creation, appeared on the face of the waters.

The Bible has been translated into 145 languages, and above six million Bibles and Testaments have been circulated all over the world, among idolators, savages, and slaves, during the last 25 years, and 1,615,000*l.* have been subscribed for the purpose. If the world contains about 800 or 1000 million souls, therefore, only *six* among *eight hundred* men, women, or children, have received the gospel, after all the boasted labours of England, resembling a drop in a bucket, compared to the wants of mankind. Hence proof, that none but Christ himself can restore paradise, especially when foreign nations see that England does not follow what she recommends, but keeps up immense warlike preparations, after shedding torrents of blood, still continuing to extend her eastern dominions, so that all her actions are suspicious, and tend to prove that England offers what she disbelieves and dishonours, in toto.

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from tribulation, will be very musical and *merry* at marriages and balls, as in the days of *Noah*.

I believe the scriptures have never been expounded as I now expound them; if they have, by any man, been thus *before* expounded, I declare, the light or view I take of the Bible is, at all events (if not given by inspiration), not learned from any *human* creatures or things whatever.

Long after the deluge, Isaiah prophecied the approaching *similar* universal tribulation. "Behold, once more (it is a little while) I [God] shake the heavens and the earth."

The late Emperor Alexander, of Russia, allowed a Bible Society at St. Petersburgh in 1813, but died *suddenly* in 1824, and his empress soon after, very mysteriously. Nicholas usurped the crown (against his elder brother Constantine), and abolished the Bible Society in 1826.* Thus, the circulation of the gospel depends upon *foreign weather-cocks* at every blast.

*The gospel is at last published in all the world, and witnesses* AGAINST *it* (especially Christendom), that the world rejects the execution of CHRISTIAN mercy, truth, and justice; in fact, the world cannot recover or revive from Adam's fall, till Christ casts satan out of it, by pouring out his spirit upon *all flesh;* then his kingdom will come. As there was *no nation nor king*† *known on earth before the deluge,* so it appears there will be need of none when Christ's spirit shall make all men honour and obey the *eleven* holy laws of God, during the seven thousandth year of the world or God's sabbath, for he, i. e. "*Elias,* verily cometh and restoreth all things." The earth must again be a paradise when Christ expels satan, who was defeated on Mount Calvary !!!

* The Russian soldiers have a very high IDEA of religion, and are not so superstitious as is generally imagined. In their barracks, in the field, even in the sight of an enemy, they would not break a piece of bread, without first making the sign of the cross, and imploring a blessing on it. Hear this, ye soi-disant Christians!!!

† The first *king* was *Nimrod* 2198 years after the creation, or 1806 years before Christ. The deluge happened in 1656 or 452 years before Nimrod, if chronologians be correct.

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The world appears equally wicked, under various governments, professing *Christianity*, as it certainly was *before the deluge, without princes or rulers;* therefore, it is ripe for a much severer *universal* tribulation, because they reject Christ's salvation, and invoke vengeance on their heads, as the Jews did. "His blood be on us, and on our children;" and to this day we see the curse affixed accordingly. Now the whole world is deluded by vain expectations of "*the restoration of the Jews;*" but so far from it, *Jews* (i. e. unbelievers) will become Christians, and *all the earth a new Jerusalem.* "Behold, I create all things new; *a new heaven and a new earth.*"—"*Heaven* is my *throne; earth* is my *footstool;* what is the house ye will build me? what is the place of my rest? who hath measured the heaven with a span, and the earth with his hand? Is it not I? saith the Lord." Have Sir Isaac Newton, Copernicus, and the company of *philosophers,* done this? when, where, and how? "Beware lest any man spoil you through *philosophy.*"

What joys are at hand to all who pray for *the end* of sin! What sorrows for all who have neglected to *judge aright!* O Christians! "*see that ye be not troubled,*" for antichrist's reign must end in blood, even at *Armageddon!!!*

"At Babylon [the Great, Christendom] must fall the slain of all the earth," i.e. under *one* crime—unbelief.

Nations have often vainly revolutionized in blood, but ended, as they began, in sin and misery. How all nations delight in war, because they trust in armies and navies more than in God!

France dethroned Pius VI. but restored all his devilish powers!! "The Lord of Hosts; *the* LORD *our righteousness*" alone, can cast the devil down for ever.

People, princes, and priests, must die on dunghills, refusing *Christian mercy,* truth, and justice!!! No rulers shall exist but such as reign like *Solomon!!!* I repeat, the gospel shall be preached again, *gratis,* like the

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apostles; "then shall the earth bring forth her increase (the curse being removed by Christ), and God will give us his blessing, and all the ends of the earth shall serve and praise him!!!" Christ is alpha and omega, the first and the last; when he said, "the *first* shall be *last*, and the *last first*," that parable applied to him.

Even as Adam lived nearly 1000 years, so Christians may pass 1000 years (as Adam was *ordered* to do) in perfect obedience to the *law and gospel*, God's *two witnesses*, who will not wear sackcloth longer than 1260 *days* and years; therefore, tribulation may continue till 1926, *if it began* in 666, according to some writers. I verily believe this alludes to Turks, and to the Romans, who began in 606 and 612.

Daniel* prophecied 553 years before Christ, that the Christian church should be restored after 2400 years or days, which expire in 1847, therefore, our English Bibles, stating 2300 (instead of 2400), appear erroneous, as 2300 years expired in 1747. The Greek translators seem correct, who have 2400, which number will be accomplished in 1847. The Septuagint has the number 2400. It is extraordinary how this variance arises. The Turks and

* "Blessed is he who waiteth and cometh to the 1335 days," [or 1947 possibly]. *Daniel.*

*A Prophecy of Joseph Wolff, at Limasol*, 21 *Dec.* 1830.

"Jesus will again appear on earth in 1847, to bring the Jews back, and great judgments already proclaim it.

"1. A revolution will break out soon in Constantinople.

"2. Wellington (and Peel) will be terribly punished for having admitted THE BEAST. I mean the Roman church.

"3. There shall be famine, tempests, shipwrecks, earthquakes, and pestilence, in divers places.

"4. THE JEWS† shall rise and proclaim salvation by a crucified saviour.

"5. Sultan Mahmoud, thou art a great man, but Russian war has prepared thy death.

"6. There will be torments in Greece and Ireland. "Believe in Christ, and be saved."

† *The Jews* must denote *all believers* in the crucified "*King of the Jews.*" I saw Mr. Wolff's prophecy, as above, on 5 April, 1830, corroborating the interpretation I made, 25 Oct. 1829. It is wonderful how two strangers, in different lands, have, in effect, made the same prophecies; therefore, I add Mr. Wolff's prophecy as it comes providentially in time for the press.

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Romans appear to have reigned nearly 1260 years, and their downfall must be at hand. I offer nothing specific, as to dates, in this respect.

Palestine may be restored in 17 years or 1847; but PANICS, &c. in and between 1830, 1832, and afterwards, threaten *Christendom* also to its centre, and all its dominions.

Daniel said, "I beheld the thrones of the four beasts, or empires [Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America], thrown down, and the judgment did sit. The saints shall take, and possess the kingdom for ever." The prophecy stands, and smells strongly against all QUARTERS of the world, on cross examination, viz.:—

"I saw three unclean spirits [a dragon, beast, and false prophet], the spirits of devils (working miracles), go forth unto the kings of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of the great day of God Almighty" [i. e. Armageddon]. *Rev.* xvi.

"If the *trumpet* give an *uncertain* sound, who shall prepare himself to the *battle?*" Paul spoke this to the Corinthians, in 14 chapter. Now God speaks to *all the world*, "*not* WILLING that any soul should perish, but that ALL might *repent and be saved.*"

How else can God justly *reward or punish every man* according to HIS works? viz. *the works of man.* Christ's grace is freely offered to all, and it is man's rejection of it which constitutes unpardonable guilt.

"Follow charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may *prophecy* .... He who prophecies speaketh unto men to edification, exhortation, and comfort. *Ye may all prophecy.*"—"Despise not prophecies."

O Christians, watch and pray, and prepare for *the last bloody persecution* of Christ's church; for it cometh in an hour and day none knoweth; verily it is *at hand*, but for your comfort, will be SHORT. "Hide yourselves for a little moment till the indignation be overpast .... The prudent will keep silence, for it is an

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evil time .... They shall deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you; and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake; many shall betray and hate one another, and *the gospel shall be preached in all the world*, and *then shall the end come*, when ye shall see '*the abomination of desolation*' stand in *the holy place*, spoken of by Daniel .... Then let them in *Judea* [meaning Christians] flee into the *mountains*."

Here is proof that Christ did not apply these events to *the end of the world*, for how could any one then fly into mountains? It must apply to *the end of antichrist*, STILL standing in the holy place, although the gospel has been translated into 145 languages, and sent forth to all the world; yet, we see high priests, popes, and cardinals, still persist in obeying the *traditions of men*, in defiance of Christ's light, whereby they deceive multitudes, although *conscience* calls loudly, but in vain, to every one of them. "Come out of her [Babylon the Great] or ye will partake of her sins." Thus, priestcraft continues over innocent people, whose blood God will require at the guilty hands. "Light is come into the world, but men love darkness." Princes, priests, and people, read *the law and gospel*, but disobey both. Mark the last chapter of the last prophet. "Behold, the day cometh that shall burn as an *oven;* yea, and all the *proud* and all that do wickedly shall be stubble," &c.—"But unto you that fear my name shall '*the Sun of Righteousness*' arise with healing in his wings."

Here is a most beautiful illustration of Christ's power and progress, at the time appointed, for nothing is *swifter in its course* than the sun, except *lightning*, to which Christ condescends to compare himself, in alluding *to the present times*, when he is even *at the doors* to dethrone unbelievers by his *spirit;* consume sinners by the brightness of his coming, and take the kingdom. Then Christ's prayer will be realized—"Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as its done in heaven."* This is the first

* When Cromwell dissolved the long parliament in 1653, he exclaimed,

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thing Christ taught men to pray for, and prayed for himself, therefore, come it must.

Lightning is *swifter than the sun*, and its effects incomprehensible to human senses; it is visible, and displays itself to the whole world in one moment!!! During storms of thunder and lightning, how many tremble at the solemn noise and piercing light, for its effects are seen with closed eye-lids, and its fatal effects are often felt and lamented. Christ is coming from *the east* to the west, like lightning!!

I humbly conceive, in this sincere desire to understand and expound the scripture (without assuming any *prophetic* power, this 25 Sep. 1829), that the events Christ described in the 17 chapter of Luke will be fulfilled, by *lightning and thunderbolts*, &c. for "ALL power is given unto *Christ* in *heaven* and *earth*," whose hand is *almighty*, and holds every thing, till he shall *personally* come as *the judge* of *quick* and *dead* from the right hand of God the Father, to whom Christ will resign his power at that great and terrible judgment day, miscalled *the end of the world*, because it is the beginning of another and a better. I conceive this cannot happen till *after the Millenium*, or at least 1170 years hence; but the day of *universal tribulation* is at hand; who can tell what to-morrow may produce?

"It is incontestible truth, that more havoc is made *in one year* by men, of men, than by lions, tigers, leopards, bears, wolves, elephants, &c. upon their several species since the creation." (Ex Burke's *Essay on Society*.)

"God hath commanded no man to do wickedly, nor given any man *licence* to sin."—"They who are well need not a physician, but they who are sick."

*Christendom* GIVES its power to idolators and *monsters*. Do they not support "the mystery of iniquity, the mother of harlots," now Romans forbid marriage, which Christ

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"Get you gone for shame—give place to honester men—you are no longer a parliament—you are whoremongers—you are adulterers—you are gluttons, drunkards," &c. &c. [all prohibited by God's laws].—*Ex Hume's History of England.*

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sanctified by his first miracle, and changed water into wine? We see *Christendom* supports what God calls "the abominations of the earth," against the gospel, at this very time, although it is *published*, and true translations exist every where. There is but *one true gospel*, which must soon prevail. Men have forged a million doctrines, and many most diabolically. I repeat, the devil has reigned nearly 6000 years, but now reigns as antichrist, for "God sends strong delusion that they should believe a lie, *that they may be all damned*," viz. all who worship "the *image* of the beast." When *crowned* at Rome, the pope is called "*Most Holy Lord, Most Holy Father*," &c. who assumes *God-like power*, to grant *divorces*, excommunications, *bulls*, and *death warrants*, against all who deny his *divine* titles and power!!

*Christendom* elects cardinals, composing conclaves, appointing popes, assuming to hold *the keys of heaven and hell*, which Christ says he holds himself; and though Christ gave Peter *similar* power, he did not give *Peter* power to name successors, who should possess *infallible power* and wisdom, but the very reverse; he said *false* CHRISTS should arise to deceive nations, and even the *elect* (if it were possible) by their *crafty reverence of the cross*.

The conclaves HARDLY agree to fix who is to be the man to act for Christ, as all the sovereigns in Europe wish to have some *favourites* elected. Thus, priests cabal together for several months, during popish elections — are locked up in the vatican, and act worse than heathens at setting up images and idols, taking God's name in vain; they, in order to enforce their own decrees and traditions, *assume the worship of* CHRIST, who said, "In vain do ye worship me, who keep the TRADITIONS of men, rendering the law of God of no effect." Christ never promoted one apostle over another, but rebuked all who wished to be MASTERS. "Be not called masters."

Every European nation GIVES its power to "the beast," and tolerates blasphemers, unitarians, &c. under the title

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of "*the Holy Alliance;*" but is it not "*the mystery of iniquity*" to see the same princes and people supporting *Vicarius Filii Dei,* or "the VICAR OF THE SON OF GOD," while they, notwithstanding (as if ashamed), refused to let the pope, or "supreme vicar of the Son of God," sign the treaty, whereby Pius was fully restored at the congress of Vienna, who assembled, 1 Nov. 1814?

If this be not "the mystery of iniquity," let our *native Right Honourable* and *Right* Reverend Lords and Fathers in God (who know Hebrew, Greek, Latin, &c. like their mother tongue, and possess all the antique books and "*all the talents*") I say, if this be *not* "*the mystery of iniquity,* and abomination of desolation," let all those devoted PROFESSED *servants of the Most High* condescend to expound and show us where else it is to be found or seen, and how, otherwise, the mysteries of God are accomplishable, for "the secret of the Lord is among men who fear him."

The conclusion of the divine drama or *mystery* is at hand—"Behold, *distress of nations, perplexity,*" &c. every hour. "The kings of the earth, great men, rich men, and chief captains, every bondman, and every *free* man, must hide themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains, calling to the mountains and rocks, fall on us, and hide us from the face of him who sitteth on the throne, for the day of his wrath is come." *Rev.* vi.

Again, "men shall seek death and shall not find it;" of course, they will *linger* and *suffer* more misery than at the DELUGE, if they suffer 40 weeks or 40 years, but for the elect's sake these wicked days are SHORTENED NOW, when "*satan is transformed as an angel of light,*" i. e. wicked men assume Christ's name and office.

All the human laws since the creation have not enforced or restored honesty and humanity among men, but continual wars, murders, and conquests, succeed.

The kings of the earth know God's holy laws, for they are now published in all the world, but where is one who



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reigns and prays like Solomon? Where is the ancient throne of Greece? Never were there such universal and hypocritical professors, nor less Christian practice by princes, priests, and people. "The *harlots* and publicans enter heaven before hypocrites or covetous priests."

God will, therefore, accomplish all that is written of Christ in the prophets, psalms, and gospels, by his *invisible* power and irresistible anger on every soul scorning Christ.

For 4000 years God strove with sinful men, and then sent his only Son, *in the fullness of time*, to finish his *mystery*, or grand scheme of salvation; it is therefore *possible*, this world may continue about 4000 years from Christ's *first* advent, till his SECOND personal advent, as Judge*, which, accordingly, would be about 8000 years after the creation. "The testimony of Christ is the spirit of prophecy;" all beyond his word is vain *speculation*.

Only Messrs. Taylor and Carlisle praised the church and state, at a public meeting lately, which voted for a division of the church lands. Both these gentlemen have been convicted as blasphemers, and imprisoned, but liberated without payment of fines.

"They that work in fine flax, and they that *weave networks*, shall be confounded." *Isaiah* xviii. 9.

This appears prophecied against the immense trade in *cotton*, *flax*, and *wool*, which have been multiplied in England, while the weavers starve.

"None can deny the distress of the Huddersfield and Spitalfields' silk weavers; but it has been aggravated by themselves, and continues so by their debauchery. A walk

* St. Barnabas induces me to offer the above remark, who said, "God made in *six* days the works of his hands, and rested the seventh day." Consider, children, the meaning of it is this, that in 6000 years the Lord God will bring *all things to an end*, for with God one day is as 1000 years, and 1000 years as one day.

Lastly, God saith, "Your new moons and sabbaths, I cannot bear them." Consider what he means by it; "the sabbaths ye now keep are unacceptable unto me, but those I made, when resting from all things, I shall begin the *eighth* day," i. e. the beginning of the other world, 1170 or 2170 years after 1830, to complete 4000 years since Christ's birth; but I only offer this as my present opinion.

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into these abodes of wretchedness on Sunday, to view the crowds surround *gin shops*, would show the truth." (Ex *Times*, 25 Feb. 1830.)

It is thought 60,000 human wretches rise daily in the metropolis, without knowing how or where to breakfast, dine, sup, or sleep the next night.

We read of "the THIRD heaven; the heaven of heavens, or the *highest* heavens," donoting *how many mansions* are there. What human soul can penetrate *all* God's mysteries?

No promises or threats of God are regarded, and nothing but his deadly thunderbolts can make his enemies his footstool. "False prophets and false Christ's arise and deceive many." We have seen this manifested too often; every minister professes a *superior* gift of talent or knowledge to expound the gospel plainer than other swarms of priests, deacons, Jesuits, unitarians, deists, &c. How many *new* infidel heretical sects have arisen (deists in public metropolitan chapels), and every sect or class professes superior reverence to a God? whereas, there is but *one* MEDIATOR, and *one way; one* DOCTRINE, given by Jesus, for *all* men. "If thy brother, son, daughter, wife, or friend entice thee secretly to serve strange gods, thou shalt not consent." *Deut.* xiii.

Alas! I have heard English preachers proclaim, in pulpits, there was *no* DEVIL, and some proclaim there is *no* CHRIST!!! I fear the rising generation race headlong *to the left*, shouting and hailing blasphemy at the heels of hoary sinners.

Every sect is equally protected by the law of 1813.

"The march of reason" cries, "let men be *free* from *all* yokes, and *worship what they please**;" but, I repeat, God has laid *ten holy laws* upon *all* men, and *all* must obey them, or suffer *the curse of* GOD, except they worship

* The Archbishop of Tuam was laughed and coughed at by *the House of Lords*, 9 June, 1828, while he repeated God's second law against graven images, which are thrice forbidden to be neither *made*, *bowed* down to, nor *worshipped*. Three denials as clear as the *sun*, but men love darkness.



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Christ, and seek mercy, by the voluntary *sacrifice* of his BLOOD, as "there is no other name given under heaven whereby men must be saved." Again, "in vain do they worship God, teaching for *doctrines* the commands of men ....We ought to obey GOD *rather than man.*" "The people heap to themselves *smooth* teachers, having itching ears;" and, at shrines of gold, priests prophecy smooth things. How many fine preachers in London rest six days every week, who are well paid, from 500*l.* to 2000*l.* a-year, as dissenters, who, all in fact, drive a profitable trade like the high church, which is divided. "A house and nation divided, cannot stand."

Among all the parsons or professors, where is one preacher, like the apostles, gratis, for the honour and glory of Christ (rather than silver and perishable gold)? who ordered us to seek the kingdom of God first, and that, if not idle, but faithful, all *necessaries* for the body would be added, and that no manner of good things would he withhold.

Some called Jews are less guilty than Gentiles, for Jews expect *Messiah*, but Gentiles acknowledge Christ's advent, whose example they *hate* or disobey, and oppress the poor.

On all sides we hear proclaimed, as a GRAND DISCOVERY, that SALT performs wonders in agriculture, nevertheless, it is as old as the gospel; people rob Christ of his honour, instead of being thankful for all good gifts.

Have we not seen or heard swarms of Jesuits and *Joannas*, who caused great numbers to expect Shiloh? Have not millions been deceived by "wolves in sheep's clothing," till at length truth itself is lost.

The church of England assumes power to forgive sins (like Romish priests), when they say, "I absolve thee from all thy sins, &c.; receive the Holy Ghost," &c. according to the prayer book, not the Bible, for Christ only delegated that power to eleven disciples, who chose Matthias instead of Judas Iscariot. Religious animosities have caused more bloodshed than ambition, and still

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occasion the tremendous *battle of* ARMAGEDDON *, and lastly, the battle of Gog and Magog !!!

Nearly the whole population of Europe, about two hundred million souls, have volunteered against God's laws; and, after 40 years' full march, are encamped at *Armageddon* *, most eager in the battle, which ends in chaining the devil 1000 years, by the Almighty, who has given the blessed signal of his promise, that the humble, meek, and merciful, should inherit the earth, and that his will should be done here as it is done by angels in heaven. Jerusalem must be restored to God's people, whether *Hebrews, Greeks,* or *Gentiles,* for *all* are one in Christ, as I have already interpreted.

There are many ocular reasonable proofs that Copernicus, Newton, and Co. are deceived in thinking the sun stationary, and that the earth travels round the sun daily. In support of "*the divine system* of the universe," Mr. Woodley and Mr. Finleyson quote many scriptural revelations, that the earth is fixed in the centre of the universe, and that the sun, moon, and stars, travel daily round the earth.

> "Jesus shall reign, where'er the sun
> Does his successive journies run,
> Christ's kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
> Till suns shall rise and set no more."

Dr. Isaac Watts, born at Southampton, July 1674, died Nov. 1748, was a better man than Sir Isaac Newton. The doctor's works are everlasting hymns, &c.

* The interpretation of *Armageddon* is little known, but it is composed of two Hebrew words, *Arma* and *geddon*, signifying *Destruction* by *deceit*, &c.

Woe to the congregations of St. Stephen's, Nos. 658 and 393! There shall be all sellers, and no buyers. Sovereigns shall not command penny loaves. "Every shipmaster, sailor, and trader, by sea, cry, when they see the smoke of her burning, What city is like this great city, for in one hour is she made desolate! Rejoice over her, O heaven, and holy apostles, and prophets, for God hath avenged you!" *Rev.* xviii.

Princes and people find it convenient to let heathen gods exist, who grant pardons, *divorces, indulgences,* &c. (for gold and silver), using God's name in vain. Who can forgive sins but God? Christ forgave many, many sins, even the adulteress, and thereby proved his divinity, and confirmed it by all his miracles; calming the winds and seas; feeding 5000 souls in the wilderness, &c.



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" 'Tis God who makes the sun to know
His proper hour to rise;
And to give light to all below,
Doth send him round the skies.

II.

" When from the chambers of the east,
His morning race begins,
He never tires, nor stops to rest,
But round the world he shines."

Once more will God reauthenticate his history of the creation and the gospel.

Mad astronomers assert the earth travels 68,000 miles hourly, or 150 times swifter than gunpowder and balls. Had God declared this, none would have believed what *common sense* denies, for *common winds* destroy houses, &c. The greatest astronomers disagree. (Vide Appendix.)

" Charles I. was betrothed to the Infanta of Spain, but on going to Madrid to see her, was disgusted with her, broke off the match, and returned home through Paris, where he fell in love with Princess Henrietta of France. To this marriage, with a Roman Catholic, all his misfortunes and death are attributed.

The Duke of Buckingham, who counselled this marriage, and accompanied Charles to Spain, was killed by Felton, at Portsmouth. *

All European nations acknowledge Christ for the *Prince of Peace,* whose doctrine prohibits war; but to the shame

* King Charles's father (James I.), who discovered Guy Faux, was averse to the journey to Madrid, and said, " I shall lose *baby Charles,*" an odd, but favourite familiar expression of the king's. James I. king of England, was thus a true prophet. (Vide *Hume's* History of England.) His son, Charles I. was beheaded, 9 Feb. 1649. Charles II. died a *deist*, in 1685. What fatalities attend human nature, in spite of all providential experience!

Here we have historical evidence of the miserable consequences upon England through an alliance with a *Roman Catholic princess*, by the murder of the king and his counsellor. God's hand is not shortened, who said, " Shall I not be avenged on such a nation as this? Can a man take fire in his bosom, and not be burnt? A little leaven hath leavened the whole." Hence, no dangers are perceptible from departing from the law of God, while we drag down coals of fire, alas! Sic transit gloria mundi.

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of all nations, they refuse to obey his commands. "All nations must obey, or be burnt with fire."

All human efforts fail; nothing less than God can restore paradise, and this he will do without any man's assistance, in ways so surprizing and so inconceivable, that no man can describe, for it will strike death to all the heathen, and every infidel shall confess God's justice.

Does one priest or preacher proclaim the awful revelations and revolution — the decrees of justice and mercy that St. John and Daniel have recorded? Are they not ALL dumb dogs? all idle, blind, sleepy, greedy shepherds?

God brings this accusation, and they must plead guilty, and be condemned out of their own mouths.

At the time, did any but John the Baptist proclaim Christ's coming? who declared, there is not a greater prophet than John, although he performed *no miracles.*

Even so this day; there is not found *one man* in the *high* or *low* church (enjoying its wealth, tithes, or praying for them) who proclaims the divine vengeance denounced against the Gentiles, for the universal corruption and covetousness degrading the world.

Princes, priests, and people, are fast asleep on beds of sin and pleasure, surrounded with all that corrupt flesh can covet or enjoy, while millions suffer hunger, cold, nakedness, sickness, &c.*

* *The Wants of the World!!!*—"Six hundred thousand preachers are wanted. How appalling! This number must be furnished, *not by miracle*, but by *the church of Christ.* The gospel must be preached to all the world.

"What *millions* squandered for brandy, gin, &c.! Millions for idle profligate poor; millions consumed for prisons and penetentiaries; millions spent in folly, extravagance, and vice; millions extorted by oppressors; millions purloined from public treasures; millions lavished in wars. All these millions, saved by the mighty influence of the gospel, the maintenance of a million ministers, will be nothing to a world in peace and love." *Ex Evangelical Magazine.*

This is a curious proclamation, by one who thinks, perhaps, *the church of Christ* is greater than CHRIST, if money may convert the world, by ministers from Oxford and Highbury colleges, &c. Christ offers the gospel *without money and without price*, having himself paid the world's ransom, but it still grovels and works in the dirt of *self-righteousness*, instead of letting THE MASTER have all the honour and glory, who will send labourers, gratis, unto the harvest!!!

The first books taught at our English universities were composed by celebrated learned *heathens*, *Horace*, *Homer*, *Virgil*, &c.; it is, therefore, no



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The gospel may be compared to a great bill of exchange drawn upon all men, rich and poor, by their Creator, whose ACCEPTORS *exchange* this for another and a better world !!! The bill is, however, generally unaccepted, under millions of vain protests against the bill, but payment, though now suspended, will be equitably and rigorously demanded, except we believe that Christ paid the bill for us upon the accursed cross. All unbelievers will then be " cast into outer darkness for ever, where there is weeping and *gnashing of teeth.*" These are most infallible signs that Christ is *even at the door* to destroy every *unchristian man, woman, and child ;* for Christ says, " Lo, I come as a thief or snare on ALL the world." Even Christ's expectants will be surprized *in the hour* he comes ; but how shall mockers and scoffers be startled, confounded, and consumed, under the *accursed* tree and image ?

One holding no office in the *church or state* (nor desirous of any) is now commissioned (something like the Baptist) to declare *Christ's kingdom is at hand on earth ;* it descends like lightning, at London, Edinburgh, Dublin, Constantinople, Paris, Vienna, Navarino, Algiers, Rome, Milan, Berlin, Lisbon, Madrid, Naples, Mexico, Washington, Windsor, Petersburgh, Moscow, Corfe Castle, Manchester, Old Sarum, Durham, Winchester, Canterbury, Calcutta, Pekin, Alexandria, Athens, York, Westminster, and St. James's ; from pole to pole ; from east to west ; and

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wonder how the poisonous seeds have been so universally sown, and so deeply propagated, that this is called " THE VULGAR ERA." Doctors of divinity, law, and physic, are despised, except they have learned, what are miscalled, " THE CLASSICS," who wrote before light or revelations came, through Christ, into this world.

The Rev. Daniel Wilson published a threepenny letter, 23 March, 1829, declaring, *he " saw no dangers from Roman idolators,"* but contradicted himself in the same letter, by saying, he saw " *dangers on all hands.*"

I respectfully requested him twice to give me some due explanation, but as he has not done so, I conclude he stands " condemned out of his own mouth," ranked among the precious builders of *Babylon the Great.*

In the midst of my work I have felt ten thousand times, and must exclaim, " Extremum hunc, Deo concede laborem." Let the world judge between right and wrong.

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all men shall feel his mercy, or die. Woe to the isles, Scio, Elba, Corsica, Malta (where English soldiers are compelled to attend the Roman MASS), Madeira, Ireland; also, East Retford, Grampound, &c.

I have seen and heard two men declare this was the fourth year of the *Millenium,* but never believed it. How many pretend "Christ is *here* and *there?*" he has charged us to believe no such things, but to expect his most glorious advent, like lightning from east to west, *everywhere,* with great power and glory over all the earth, by the spiritual and miraculous events that will overthrow idolators, but save every one who has *one spark of faith!!* yea, the destruction and preservation shall be so wonderful, that it will somewhat resemble the last *day of judgment,* but it will be only emblematical of it.

The gospel declares God is no respecter of persons, that every man, Jew, Greek, or Gentile of every nation, who works righteousness, is accepted, and that all are one in Christ; consequently, why are we to wait for the Jews to rebuild Jerusalem? who, at this moment, deny Christ was the Messiah, and continue their crime daily in their synagogues, notwithstanding 1830 years exile and slavery in all lands.

The elect of God is composed of all nations and languages, whom he will gather from all quarters. Jews may form a part, if they acknowledge their unbelief, and claim pardon of Christ, whom they murdered. "Whoever falls on the gospel shall be *broken,* but on whomsoever it shall fall it will grind him to *powder.*"

St. John declared he was *not Elias,* therefore is he still to come again (as Christ promised) "to restore all things."

Christ's second coming must be as THE JUDGE of quick and dead; then every eye shall see him, and every knee shall bow;" but as to his PERSONAL reign on earth, "*it is finished,*" for Christ himself answers all doubts (which all sorts of millenarians and commentators have raised), for he told his disciples, at the last supper, "I will not

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drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it *new* with you in MY FATHER'S kingdom." *Matt.* xxvi. 29. Nevertheless, he will pour out his most holy SPIRIT on all *flesh*, and reign invisibly in all hearts 1000 years. "*Heaven is God's* THRONE, *the earth is his* FOOTSTOOL."

Far from the world's becoming Jews, *Jews* shall turn *Christians*, like St. Paul, when "ELIAS cometh, who *restoreth all things*," even the temple of God in all men's hearts, far superior to any old or new perishable temples of Jerusalem, even imperishable temples. "*Here* [on earth] *we have no continuing city*."

"As the lightning cometh from the east, and shineth unto the west, even so shall the coming of Christ be."

The low church apes the high church; dissenters establish colleges, and consider none qualified to preach but such as men ordain, and not God.

Lately, about 200 parsons celebrated the *ordination* of Mr. Young, at dinner, in London, and drank each above a bottle of *holy wine!!* The dinner cost, altogether, about 150*l.* while thousands want bread, and envy felons' fare, if corrupt editors "tell truth to shame the devil."

The city and temple of Jerusalem may be suddenly restored for *every Christian's* refuge, from impending prophecies against *every heathen*, and from the east must dawn and spread that holy, blessed, *universal* reign of the light and knowledge of Christ over all the world, which must assuredly be accomplished, and never destroyed. Jerusalem and Jerusalem's temple must be destroyed at the end of the world, or when the devil is unchained, to reign a little, after 1000 years' peace and true worship of God.

A voice whispers this blessed hour, that "*the abomination of desolation*," proclaimed by Christ himself, in confirmation of Daniel's prophecy, signifies "*the universal tribulation*," which shall be accomplished over ALL THE WORLD, when princes, priests, and people are in the deepest sleep of *sin*. "The abomination of desolation" precedes a *universal deluge of tribulation*, for such are the

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fruits of sin and sinners' rewards. No deluge of WATER, but *all* the elements combined against man; water and fire shall cause death and devastations, even all elements which now conduce to man's comfort and subsistence. Frost, famine, and pestilence, shall destroy millions. Millions shall die blaspheming God, during excessive HEAT in the atmosphere, which shall destroy men, women, children, cattle, and all the produce of the earth !!! Even the wind and the air will be withdrawn by four angels.

This excessive heat may well signify the *invisible* presence of Christ (a consuming fire) over all his enemies, as he first appeared to Moses in flames; and, secondly, in a pillar of fire by night. It is expressly declared, that "God is a consuming *fire*."

The outlines of *the universal tribulation* are thus detailed in the 16 chapter of Revelations, and are called THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES, or vials of the wrath of God, poured out by seven angels successively:—

1. "The first angel poured out his vial upon the earth, and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them who worshipped his image."

2. "A great mountain, burning with fire, was cast upon the earth. The SEA became like the *blood* of a dead man, and every living *soul* died in the SEA."

3. "The rivers and fountains became *blood*."*

4. "The fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun, and power was given to him to *scorch* men with FIRE, and men were *scorched* with great HEAT, and *blasphemed* God, who hath power over the plagues, but they repented not."

5. "The fifth fell upon the seat of THE BEAST, and his kingdom was full of darkness, and they gnawed their tongues for pain, and blasphemed God."

6. "The great river Euphrates was dried up, '*to prepare the way of the kings of the* EAST' [Indies, perhaps

* The Bristol hotwells turned red as *blood*, 1 Nov. 1755, when Lisbon was swallowed up. (See the List of Earthquakes, p. 10.)

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China]; and I saw three spirits of devils, working *miracles*, go forth unto *the kings of the earth*, and of *the* WHOLE *world*, to gather them to the battle of that great day of Almighty God, at ARMAGEDDON, which is likely to last forty-two months, FIVE MONTHS, an hour, a day, a month, and a year."* *Rev.* ix. and xiii.

7. "The seventh angel poured out his vial in the air, and there came a voice from the temple and throne of heaven, saying, '*It is* DONE;' and there were thunders, lightnings, and a great earthquake, such as was *not since men were upon the earth*, so mighty an earthquake." † — "Every island fled away, and the mountains were not found." —"There fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent; and men blasphemed God, because of the plague of the hail, for the plague thereof was exceeding great;" even until Christ shall cast the beast, or false prophet, into hell, with all idolators who worship his image, which is worse than Nebuchadnezzar set up." Remember Belshazzar's fate!!

All these seven plagues are about to fall on the earth, to cut off man and beast, as declared by the prophets Zephaniah, &c. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."—"Execute true judgment; show mercy and compassion every man to his brother. Oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor."

* The whole population of *Christendom* engage in the most horrid battle against each other, and against Christ, and are calculated to amount to two hundred million LOCUSTS, like men. Read the *Rev.* ix. The Mediterranean Sea is bordered by the most fruitful countries, but accursed by pirates, heathens, earthquakes, &c. England bombarded Algiers in 1817; and France threatens the same, with 360 armed vessels, which embarked from Toulon, when Charles X. dissolved his parliament, on *Sunday*, 16 May, 1830.

† "The day Lot left Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all; even so shall it be when the Son of Man is revealed: when they cry, Lo, here is Christ, or lo, there, believe it not: go not after them: believe it not.

"In that night *two* shall be in one bed: *one* shall be taken, the other left.

"Two shall be grinding together: one shall be taken, the other left.

"Two shall be in the field: one taken, the other left."

This expressly alludes to the Millenium, and shows how God will separate Christians from heathens wherever they are. Christians will be safe *every where*, and *heathens no where* safe.

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Men refuse to hearken, stop their ears, and make their hearts as adamant stones; therefore, "judgment shall begin at the house of God."

"Begin at my sanctuary; my house is a house of prayer; but woe unto ye [doctors and legislative lawyers], who have made it a den of thieves."—"He who exalteth himself shall be abased, and he who humbleth himself shall be exalted."

The earth is about to be depopulated by these SEVEN PLAGUES, and none shall survive except Christians, and all sinners shall be cut off who do not repent and obey the gospel.

From the elect or remnant, like Noah's family, the earth shall be repeopled, and all shall acknowledge, and unanimously execute *Christian* mercy, truth, wisdom, and justice, because the devil shall be chained down during 1000 years; this will be the real *sabbath* of God, for the earth will resemble paradise—men and women shall be restored, by Christ, to the image of God, possessed by Adam and Eve before their disobedience.

Remember Lot's wife, the *harlot* Rahab, Ananias and Sapphira, and Jezebel. If all the *mysteries* of God could be *perfectly* comprehended by man, they would be unworthy of God's wisdom and power, and cease to command awful *adoration*, or inspire love and faith in Christ's death, atonement, and resurrection.

God has, however, made continual revelations of his glory, power, and will, if men will *accept his* FREE GRACE, *the gift of his holy spirit*, for *Christ's sake*, without seeking it by *penance*, fasts, and alms, as capable of obtaining entrance into heaven; for nothing else, no, not even *fifty years*, or a jubilee on our knees; nothing but *Christ's blood* can blot out *one sin*. Accursed is every one who disobeys one of God's laws. If man could have obeyed, man might have atoned, and Christ *ought* NOT to have suffered, as he once did, to prove God's boundless MERCY and JUSTICE. Ought not Christ to have suffered? "O,

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ye fools, and slow of heart to believe," Christians must lament their natural weakness. God must subdue our hearts, who has *promised* regeneration, if we only ask, seek, knock, and desire, in FAITH. God *gives all men power to seek;* for it is *blasphemous* to imagine, God *desires* or *orders* his creatures to do what he knows is utterly IMPOSSIBLE. Impossible was it for man to obey the law; therefore, God's endless love provided a sacrifice for sin before Adam fell, and even before his creation.

Christ sent *no messenger of the Jewish church,* because it was corrupt. He now sends *no messenger of the Gentile church,* because it is also corrupt and covetous. One priest is master of many chapels, and covets more; "they are all greedy dogs." The accusation is divine, and must be truly against them all. Man against man is *vain;* but a creature (who *hopes* he is a Christian), *abstracted* from the yokes of commerce, is allotted, in a WILDERNESS, to "*search the Scriptures,*" who feels compelled to offer the fruits of his labours to Jews and Gentiles, in Christ's name, and to *every creature,* according to his commands, who is the Sovereign of heaven and earth.

Although the visible gospel church professes the apostles' creed, viz. "*communion of saints**," we do not hear of any *actual* "communion of saints with God," from any HIGH PRIESTS whatever, sending messengers, with the gospel, to *all corners of the earth.* The gospel *letter* is *dead,* till Christ gives life or SPIRIT to hear, read, and understand! God must send priests, gratis, again. His light now descends, and will operate, electrically, over all the earth. The Turkish barrier falls before "the lightning

* To talk of "*the communion of saints* now on earth with God," to any rich high priests, is to incur the charge of being *mad,* or *having a devil.* The devil gets credit for every thing; people cry how devilish *good!*—how devilish *bad!*—devilish hot!—devilish cold, sweet, sour, sharp, &c.! Learn the apostles' creed.

"Woe unto ye, doctors and legislators, who call evil good, and good evil—who put darkness for light, and light for darkness—bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter."

"The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted."

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of Christ" !!! A proof is given at Adrianople, if the public news printed be true, viz. "The occupation of Adrianople by the Russians, like Varna, was (it is asserted in newspapers) purchased by treachery."

"Ten thousand well-appointed men laid down their arms, and desired to become FARMERS or ploughmen; this seems such a dereliction of duty, that we really *blush* for the *degeneracy* of human nature !!!" Are not *farmers* better than such *butchers?*

If the world refuse what God hath already done, it will also refuse a million miracles, even if performed to-morrow !!

We see millions covetously seeking, and many amassing riches. We see millions eat and drink, full of mirth and music, having no time to reflect on religion, and not a moment's compassion on brethren in hunger, sickness, prison, &c. Let all such imagine what they would feel if they, peradventure, be exposed to similar fates, deserted, and unpitied by fellow creatures !!!

Because millions gallop downwards *to the left*, it will yield no relief to a single soul in hell to see *millions* of miserable companions there. If hell be crammed, it will aggravate endless misery to hear millions of woes; for not one can give another there one drop of water to cool their fevery tongues, nor one moment's ease.

I was lately impelled (not *inspired*, for that word is, like *gratitude*, put out of the English dictionary) to write notice of danger to a princess of the house of Brunswick.

I am now ordered to publish this book in London, as soon as possible; I obey the dictates of my conscience, for what I have learnt has been in *God's school*, where, I confess, I seem the greatest *dunce !!!*

"The merciful shall inherit the earth, and they that are without evil shall be left upon it; but the transgressors shall perish from off the face of it."

The late William Law (a high churchman) said, "Books speak like wills and testaments concerning the approach

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of the *great day;* near it certainly is, though it may not be, according to the Scripture *arithmetical* calculations, presented to the public. The seven thousandth year (or sabbath, in God's sight) is but a little way off, and the six days' creation will last no longer than till it comes. Though scripture prophecies, figures and numbers are certainly intended to point out *the time.* I believe, the messenger of God, who, as forerunner, is to proclaim it, will not be left to take his proof from *them,* but be as much an ORIGINAL, in his way, as any of the *old* prophets. Though he may no more work any *outward miracles* than NOAH, or 'John the Baptist' did, yet he will come burning and *shining,* in such a light of divine distinction from all others, as may answer, in the *spirit,* to what was formerly done in the *flesh,* by Christ, when he healed the blind, deaf, and lame; preached the gospel to the poor, and raised the dead."

While I write this, *hours* fly like minutes, "*swift as weavers' shuttles;*" one hour lost—is lost for ever; how precious then is one day! one sabbath! People complain how irksome time passes, except at balls and feasts, to drown sober reflection and religious duties. While I write, the elements are hushed; rural silence and solitude aid my contemplations of God's condescension in Christ, who dwells in eternity.

*The source of all* presses me to proclaim this blessed and holy *universal revolution* at hand; the day of vengeance on his enemies; the day of *mercy* to Christians!!

John Engelbrecht's revelations from God occupy my mind again, whispering, "peace — continue — go on straight — give God all the praise — ascribe nothing to yourself, for it is impossible even for the *angels* to peep into *futurity,* except Christ condescends to reveal it, and charge them, as his messengers of life and death, for he only *holds the keys of all power in heaven and earth* till the day of final judgment, when 'God will be ALL IN ALL.'"

For 20 years of my life I looked for *truth* to prevail at

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the hands of senators, like FOX, WILBERFORCE, SHERIDAN, ROMILLY, BURDETT, BROUGHAM, WARDLE, and Co. Now, I know, that if every nation was to revolutionize itself, and cast away evil men, other evil covetous men would arise, and oppress the poor, to gratify pride, pomp, and pleasure. No empire stands long against God's holy laws.

Some people in London profess and preach, that at the death of the body, the soul enters another body; a doctrine quite at variance with every word of the gospel; a doctrine of the darkest druidical ages revived. This is called the enlightened age, but the devil is ready to break loose. Religion is nothing but a trade. Distress goads hard. An alderman has publicly declared, he lately issued 300 summonses against 300 citizens of one parish in London, who are defaulters of the poor rates.

Human revolutions are the wages of sin. The Almighty must reform and restore the earth (meaning MAN), or it must continue (as it is, and has always been) full of bloodshed, iniquity, and apostacy, to the last day. How can kings reflect, continually surrounded by covetous courtiers, carefully concealing truth, inventing amusements and pleasures, so that scarce one day is devoted to *temporal*, and much less to *religious* affairs?

It is time to "*circumcise the heart;*" it is the only safe preparation against *the battle of Armageddon*. "The *beginning of sorrows*" has been experienced, viz. wars, pestilence, earthquakes, famines, and treason. What can be worse than such calamities? Nothing worse than these (except the deluge) have ever been suffered? Yet Christ expressly declares, "*There shall be greater tribulation* than ever was known since the creation."

This threat ought to awaken *Christendom* to fly from "the wrath to come." The world conceives God is too *merciful* to destroy it, but has he not once destroyed it? even 857 years before he gave the law to Moses !!!

No man born has ever understood Christ's decree pro-



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perly, but thousands have vainly attempted to unravel what God has, till now, kept a perfect mystery, and declared it should remain so till the end. As this was the THEME in the first chapter, so it must be the theme of the last, for it was that single point compelled me to write this book for the admonition of my brethren, and this affair has led me to examine many others, which I offer pro bono publico, for no Christian can set his candle under a bushel. I ask no man to believe me, nor any of my interpretations, if contrary to the gospel; but shall feel glad to be corrected, if I be mistaken in any point.

Many have sacrificed whole lives in searching histories, and comparing dates, from whence most erroneous notions have been circulated, which are generally calculated to produce the very delusions Christ foretold, which, however, cannot deceive Christians indeed.

It is awfully extraordinary, that the LAST prophet and evangelist, John, in the LAST book of Revelations, has openly expounded the FIRST mysteries of God, especially the FIRST great miracle, BEFORE man's creation, which Genesis passes in silence. "The mysteries of God" are awfully concealed till the allotted hours!!

St. John unfolds the FIRST miracle of "war in heaven," viz. that the devil and his angels were cast down to the earth, then void, dark, and without form, while the spirit of God moved upon the waters!!! There must then have been the greatest tribulation among rebel angels, expelled from heaven for ever; the battle of Armageddon is (except this "*war in heaven*") the worst, for the horses will wade, through blood, up to their bridles. Alas, alas!

No man has yet expounded the mysteries around us, how then can we comprehend the mysteries of God? An unchangeable God has created a most changeable world!! Why does more horrible confusion reign now than at Babel, for scarcely two interpreters of scripture agree aright upon the gospel? "Chaos is come again;" for "every one hath a doctrine, an interpretation." From the CHAOS, paradise

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was created for Adam, by one word of God; but the devil quickly entered the gates, as the enemy of God, and it is very certain, by this last revelation, that the earth (as chaos) belonged to the devil, before God created man in paradise, where the devil fatally seduced Eve; so that God repented he had made man so subject to satan's power, who, of course, was ready to oppose all God's works, for the devil, having been previously cast down on earth, knew how to tempt Eve and Adam, whose perfection and pleasures he envied, and, therefore, still glories in renewing wars daily against God and man, upon earth, knowing there will never be another war in heaven.

Here is divine evidence that St. John's Revelations are true, for (if possible) they are stronger and clearer than *all* former prophets or priests, being direct revelations from God, and, consequently, far above all prophecies !!

The Revelations contain reviews of all things relative to God's mysteries, from before the creation of man, till time is swallowed by eternity !! Much still remains sealed, like "the book of life," which will be duly unsealed by *Christ*, for he alone is able to open it. Chaos must then yield to unanimity in God's worship and adoration. Christians in name shall yield to Christians in deed, and in heart and soul. Christendom has continued devilish murderous wars ever since the gospel. Christians have sung Te Deum over the death of Christians, in battle, for too many generations. "Whence come wars, but from men's lusts?" Christendom still reigns by the power of swords and guns; but the hour must come, when "all who take the sword shall perish by the sword." This proclamation is terrible, in every sense, both temporal and eternal. The Christian church itself opposes Christ by the 37 article, viz. "It is lawful for Christians, at magistrates' commands, to wear weapons, and serve in the wars."—"One jot or one tittle can in no wise pass till all be fulfilled." *Matt.* v. Now, if one word of Christ's cannot fail, all who war must perish, either by brethren's swords,



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or under Christ's gospel, which is sharper than double-edged swords, piercing every man's thoughts.

I do not enquire what has become of every soul, whose body fell in battle, nor the souls of warriors who have survived the slaughter of fellow creatures, worse than tigers; verily, they have their reward from God.

It is, however, a glorious prophecy against war, by Christ, whose universal reign of peace is about to be fulfilled. Judgment must begin in Christendom, where universal war shall end in universal peace !!!

The fall of *the great image* and *tree* will soon wreck the whole world, the same as the Royal George capsized and sunk at Spithead, when the sea was like a mill-pond. All the world shall soon discover what is signified by "*a nation scattered and* PEELED." The hour-glass is nearly run *out*. "Babylon the Great is suddenly fallen—is fallen, and is become the habitation of DEVILS." Good Lord deliver us. Amen.

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## ANTHEM.

OH! that I had wings like a dove,
Then would I flee far, far above,
To join the everlasting throng
Who sing the *Hallelujah* song!!!

Oh! that I had wings like a dove,
(God's spirits of eternal love,)
Then would I flee and rest among
The saints of *Hallelujah's* song!!!

Then in heaven — the gift of love —
I'd pitch on Christ, true as a dove,
And praise his mercy midst glad throngs
Who sing sweet *Hallelujah* songs!!!

Oh! then in heaven — saved from hell
(Where satan and his angels dwell)
By Christ, our Lord God Jehovah —
Praise his mercy — *Hallelujah!!!*

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# APPENDIX.

## No. I.

London, 25 Dec. 1828.

The Duke of Wellington presents his compliments to Mr. Burridge, and has received his letter of the 24th instant. The Duke begs leave again to decline to receive him. The Duke will receive, and refer to the Admiralty, or the Navy Board, any papers which Mr. Burridge may send him, provided his suggestions are conveyed in respectful terms towards these departments; as the Duke does not consider himself to be the fit channel for conveying to any authority of the government, the vituperation of any individual.

To John Burridge, Esq. &c. &c.

## No. II.

Ways and means to save 5000*l.* daily. A memorial, delivered, 30 Dec. 1828, to the Most Noble Duke of Wellington, Commissioner of His Majesty's Treasury, &c. &c. &c. representing,

I. That the royal navy was formerly built with timber hewn in the winter, *with the bark*, pursuant to act of parliament, because sappy timber is subject to premature decay, and that ships of war so built, are much more durable than ships built with timber hewn in the spring, according to the present custom, because oak bark is become rare and precious for tanning leather.

II. That the practice of building His Majesty's navy with oak hewn in winter, pursuant to the statute of King James, A. D. 1604, was continued till 1779, when H. M. S. Montagu, of 74 guns, was built at Chatham; and that it was then the practice of His Majesty's Navy Boards to allow the contractors, as equivalent for the bark, 7¼ per cent. till 1792, when the equivalent was discontinued.

That the Montagu appears the last ship built according to the ancient statute of King James, wholly with timber hewn in winter, free from sap; and that the Montagu appears to have been in active service during all the last French war, of 22 years, and was not broken up till 1818; and, consequently, that she endured 39 years, and did not receive any material repair during 22 years after her launch, as your memorialist is informed, and believes; but for dates and further particulars, in these respects, your memorialist most respectfully begs leave to refer your Grace to the existing *official records* at Chatham, or at the Navy Office; yet, your



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memorialist believes, the Montagu proved sounder, when broken up, than many first and second rates have done, at ten or twelve years of age, especially the Nelson, of 120 guns; the Rodney, of 74 guns; the Diamond frigate; the Hibernia, of 120 guns; the Superb, Sappho, Pelter, Bulwark, &c.

III. That the Hibernia, and many other ships have been *rebuilt* in docks (where they have remained nearly three years), at greater expence than launching new ships from the stocks, where the timber seasons much better in the air, and the shipwrights are not confined to work in dark damp docks, at the greatest disadvantage.

IV. That the system of REBUILDING the royal navy in docks, appears to your memorialist to be attended with the most injurious consequences; by occupying the docks, and by the prevention of due periodical repairs to the fleet in ordinary, as always deemed expedient; wherefore, your memorialist anxiously hopes the matter will undergo strict enquiry, in order to form true estimates of the damages suffered, with a view to prevent such unnecessary expences in future.

V. That the navy estimates voted and expended during ten years past, appear to your memorialist (for the above reasons) sufficient to launch *an entire new navy;* but that only 27 line-of-battle ships have been launched from 1814 to 1825, during eleven years. That double the number are building, compared to the ships that appeared on the stocks during the war.

VI. That the British naval system appears reversed, merely to accommodate tanners with oak bark, contrary to the law of England, and contrary to the system pursued in France (under Napoleon's decree, dated 3 August, 1803), where your memorialist has seen the navy built with timber hewn in winter, with the bark on, whereby, your memorialist believes, that a navy, numerically equal to the English, will be acquired and maintained for one third of the expence entailed in England, by building with sappy timber.

VII. That your memorialist is aware that the supplies of timber for His Majesty's navy, are chiefly imported, and that very little native timber fit for the navy is to be found, and that the scarcity is likely to be felt for several generations. Your memorialist, therefore, suggests most respectfully to his Grace the Duke of Wellington, and His Majesty's government, whether it be not necessary to direct the Navy Boards to contract in future for FOREIGN timber hewn in winter, in the event of your Grace finding this memorial to be correct.

That your memorialist is informed the Navy Boards make no stipulations, in this essential respect, as to foreign timber imported, being hewn in winter, rather than sacrificed in summer, more particularly, as foreign bark is far less valuable than English bark.

VIII. That your memorialist most earnestly and respectfully hopes the Duke of Wellington will cause careful surveys and reports to be made, of the actual condition and ages of the ships now composing

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the royal navy; as your memorialist believes all the means employed to stop the dry-rot have proved ineffectual.

IX. That the Royal William, of 110 guns, endured nearly 100 years; but the Montagu alone, affords the most decisive proof, that a navy, trebly more efficient than the present, is maintainable at the same annual expence.

## No. III.

London, 3 Jan. 1829.

The Duke of Wellington presents his compliments to Mr. Burridge, and recommends to him to make his statements to the Commissioners of the Navy.

To John Burridge, Esq. &c. &c.

"The Sulphur, lately *docked and fitted* for a *foreign* voyage, at Chatham, proves so rotten, that the troops are obliged to disembark at Plymouth." (Ex *Telegraph*, 25 Jan. 1829.)

## No. IV.

25, Paradise-street, Lambeth Palace,
7 January, 1829.

Mr. Burridge presents his compliments to the Duke of Wellington, and has the honour to acknowledge his Grace's note, dated 3d inst. in reply to Mr. Burridge's letter, dated 30 ult. which contained his memorial respecting the abusive system of His Majesty's dock-yards.

Mr. Burridge is quite unable to account for the continued misapprehension existing on this subject, and reminds the Duke, with all possible deference, that he transmitted his *memorial* in question, respecting the naval system, to his Grace, in consequence of the note which Mr. Burridge had the honour to receive from his Grace, dated 25 ult. in which his Grace condescends to assure Mr. B. that "The Duke will receive and refer to the Admiralty, or the Navy Board, any papers which Mr. Burridge may send him, provided his suggestions are conveyed in respectful terms towards these departments."

Mr. Burridge ventures to affirm, that his memorial is couched in the most respectful terms, and he, therefore, calculated upon its being transmitted to the naval departments, without delay, the matter being one of the most important policy to the welfare of the nation; and one, which, if neglected, may be woefully lamented, and tend to prove that economy is not practised where it is most necessary, and consistent with sound policy.

Mr. Burridge has no personal motives or vanity to gratify, and has no favour whatever to solicit from His Majesty's government, but he is actuated solely by regard for the *public* service; and if this branch of abuses be not investigated by His Majesty's present



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ministers, it is tantamount to a rejection of *wholesale* economy, while it is professed and followed *retail.*

Mr. Burridge is convinced that his memorial is unanswerable by the Navy Boards, who are conscious they have neglected their duty, and Mr. B. will never renew his correspondence with gentlemen, whose obstinacy and extravagance are become proverbial.

Mr. Burridge respectfully remarks, that if his Grace decline due investigation, the public will naturally infer that his Grace sanctions the extravagance committed in the dock-yards.

Mr. B. regrets, these latter remarks have been called forth, but assures his Grace, they are faithfully for the public good, to which Mr. B. has long since sacrificed all selfish views; consequently, he does not mean to make the slightest present imputation against any, except the Navy Boards; and for his Grace's satisfaction, Mr. B. subjoins a copy of their last *curious* letter to him, viz.:—

"Navy Office, 15 Dec. 1824.

"MR. JOHN BURRIDGE,

"We have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 13th inst. respecting the mode of felling timber for ship building, and to acquaint you that it is the last which will be noticed.

"We are, your affectionate Friends,

"H. LEGGE.
"J. D. THOMSON.
"—— MIDDLETON."

"To Mr. John Burridge, &c. &c.
"55, Nelson-square."

I remain, &c. &c.

JOHN BURRIDGE.

To the Duke of Wellington, &c. &c.

My official correspondence would fill a volume, but I have never been able to extort any reply from the Duke, and never expect any, while Melville and Croker *adorn* the Admiralty; but the hour is at hand, when they, and the whole naval system must follow David Jones. In 1824, I published a book, proving that every 74-gun ship contains 350 tons of dry-rot or sap—the seed of it. I have since abandoned all worldly affairs; but many lives are endangered by the system, therefore I feel obliged to notice it.

## No. V.

Blackfriars, 29 May, 1829.

"Except the Lord keep the city, the watchmen wake in vain."

MY LORD DUKE,

I wrote you last Monday how you stand in jeopardy every hour. I hear of your *second* escape, and overthrow on the ground, at the moment of your military exploits. Your duel was the first warning. The second is passed; the *third* is fatal.

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The die is cast above. Fate is sealed irrevocably; therefore, I shall not trouble your Lordship any more with useless letters, but let you gallop headlong to perdition. It is now too late to avoid the pit, dug by Mr. Pitt, Mr. Percival, Lords Castlereagh and Liverpool, Mr. Canning and Co.

I pray for divine deliverances from oppression, for the land, and for Europe. Midnight panics, fields crowned with blood, threaten all Europe, for the vial of God's wrath is poured out on the world, and Christians only escape eternal death.

On Tuesday, it is reported, you concluded a fallacious speech, which nearly proved your last in parliament, with these words:—"Your lordships may rely, if I could devise any mode for the relief of His Majesty's subjects, with respect to *the prevailing distress*, or any other evil, I would come down to parliament, state my views openly, and ask aid, advice, and assistance!!!"

Have you attended to my memorial, 30 Dec. 1828, whereby about 5000*l.* may be daily saved, to buy bread, and relieve the poor unemployed?"

"What is truth?" God's word is truth. Have you not voted 50,000*l.* for a *marble* arch, and millions for palaces and public buildings, and only 1000*l.* to buy bread for hungry wretches, and deadly victims?

Do you not withhold 6550*l.* from a poor Christian, against the sacred decrees of the Lords Chancellors Erskine and Eldon?

The sessions may not pass without God's judgments against many, who die in their sins, as I predicted, 25 Jan. 1829, in my circular to your Lordship.

By the grace of God, above all, I refer to my original predictions in March and April, 1827, which I sent Mr. Canning and Mr. Peel, who will soon follow him to the abbey, if it stand, but divine anger burns against churches, and ministers who forget God, viz.:—

"CORN, CATHOLICS, AND CURRENCY, resemble sword, pestilence, or famine, and advance gradually to ruin England, before 5 April, 1829. Another panic must arrive before that day, and continue till the system is terminated, whereby the rich oppress the poor, and turn every hand to firebrands."

All this has been awfully verified, even one hour before the fatal day, by the Lords, who assembled on *Saturday*, and voted in favour of the Romans, at 11 o'clock at night, 4 April, 1829!!!

Thus, as you have the original prophecies, you ought to fear what the next two years will produce.

Disaffection is the fruit of hunger and wretchedness.

Not a single measure has been attempted or considered how to save the innocent blood.

Princes, priests, and people, fall altogether at the battle of ARMAGEDDON, according to the revelations of God, and 3 chapter of Malachi. O believe the Bible, and a Christian monitor!

Woe, woe to Mr. Peel! he is your fatal leader. Beware! I

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know you wish war against Russia, in favour of the Turks; but Providence fills you with *panics* in your hearts and consciences, and your army and navy is *chained at home!*

"The second woe is past, and the third cometh quickly."

"Princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves; wherefore, I will bring the worst of the heathens, and they shall possess their houses, lands," &c.

JOHN BURRIDGE.

To the Duke of Wellington, &c. &c.

## No. VI.

London, 31 Jan. 1829.

MOST REV. LORD,

The existing divisions of the empire have reached a climax, which Christians have long contemplated, with more disgust than despair.

I have felt it my imperative duty to address the Duke of Wellington and His Majesty's Privy Council, in humble hopes that TRUTH may yet prevail, and avert the heavy judgments which seem to have impended over England for forty years. I mean ever since the *French Revolution*. During that long period, the most solemn warnings have been given to England and Europe, but *not a single abuse has been corrected* in *church* or state, nor can I see the least prospect of the restoration of GODLY peace in this guilty land.

Perhaps, I ought to have addressed your Grace before all others, as primate of all England, but experience has shown me, that the *late primate*, and many other reverend spiritual lords, pay less attention than heads of churches are *sworn* to do.

Your Grace, and every Christian bishop, is bound to obey *oaths* at God's altar. Sovereigns are equally bound by theirs, or what signifies the ceremonious pomp of coronations in Westminster Abbey, &c.

I remember your Grace's public assertion in parliament (on an occasion that produced fatal effects), that "*the king can do no wrong;*" and upon that principle (if acted upon), your Grace may rest perfectly composed *now*, as your Grace did *then*. I differed then with your opinion, as I shall always do, as to the application of the principle, though I subscribe to the *general principle*, that "the king can do wrong;" for there is not a more faithful subject in England than I am. "The king can do no wrong;" but *marriage* oaths, like *coronation* oaths, are indissoluble by kings, queens, or popes, except the laws (human and divine) provide the alternative.

Here then are *two* manifest *exceptions* to the *general rule;* and history informs us, that many "sovereigns have done wrong," in more than *one* respect.

TRUTH exacts truth, and I shall continue steadfastly to speak

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and write truth, without respect to persons, as long as God grants me SPIRIT to do so in his cause, by sounding the alarm to "a wicked and adulterous generation."

London, like Jerusalem once, is ripe for God's judgments. "They are all gone out of THE WAY." What way? "Christ is the way, the truth, and the life."

"Yet forty days, and London shall be overthrown" (like the Ninevites) without repentance and reformation. "Who can tell what a day may bring forth?"

The Catholics are at our gates—the greatest enemies of the *Christian* church; they powerfully knock, demanding admittance. England "halts between two opinions." The kingdom is *divided.* The church is divided, alas! What countless blood and treasure England lavished to defend the pope, rising like a *phœnix* from the flames, disposed to hurl discord, disorder, and death, the wages of sin. Blood for blood. The scourges felt are merited by *rich* and *poor*, who all gloried *in war*, whilst it yielded prize-money, promotions, and plunder. "The Lord abhors all blood-thirsty men."

"A kingdom divided cannot stand." Divine anger is over the nation; the *present* generation cannot escape God's arm, who gives Roman Catholics awful power to smite the Gentile church, now become more idolatrous than all others, the Jews unexcepted. Our corrupt church seems destined to fall by the hands of heretics, raised to effect God's vengeance upon hypocrites. The ungodly is a sword of God's.

The TITHES are appropriated in *violation of God's laws.* What is truth? God's word is truth. It is the only infallible standard to assist human *reason*, since reason is, like all other things, vain and dangerous, or useless, without the standard to direct all human powers.

The church ought to set an example of purity, not only in *doctrine*, but in *practice*, or the clergy forfeit human respect and divine protection, and resemble the Jewish priests, whom Christ denounced, "Ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"

The Duke of Wellington, and your Grace, have very lately been called to replace the late *primates:* in a short time others will, NATURALLY, succeed you both also; and at *the hour of death*, Christians have the best hopes, if their lives and doctrines have conscientiously resembled the Redeemer's.

I shall resume these important subjects, and prove, scripturally, in my next epistles, that "*the love of money is the root of all evil.*" God's wrath will fall upon this generation, honouring God with their LIPS, whose HEARTS are far from him, for "there shall be like PEOPLE, like PRIESTS."

I have the honour to be, your humble servant,

JOHN BURRIDGE.

To the Most Rev. the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, &c. &c.

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## No. VII.

London, 2 March, 1829.

RIGHT REV. LORD OF CANTERBURY,

At this momentous era, I must raise my hand once more against the overthrow of Christianity in England.

I wrote your Grace, 31 Jan. and now, before the axe is laid, by your hands, to the root of the tree of God, I conjure you, in God's name, to do your duty towards God and man.

"First then pull out the mote out of the eyes of the clergy, and then you shall be able to pluck out the beam in the eyes of the princes and people."

The mote, corrupting the GENTILE church, exactly like the JEWISH church, 1829 years ago, consists of the *tithes* and *revenues*, covetously and blasphemously withheld from the poor. In fact, I conceive the whole clergy are, by that act alone, guilty of worse blasphemy against the Holy Ghost than Ananias and Sapphira, who suffer sentence of everlasting death, because Ananias *sold his own property*, but your Grace, the bishops, deans, prebends, &c. consume all the tithes, while the people are obliged to pay double taxes to support the poor. Bishops enter cathedrals with *Nolo Episcopari*, after having spent all their lives in seeking such promotions.

The clergy have thus brought religion into general contempt, and are exposed to divine anger; therefore, I give you a solemn warning, that if you do not fight faithfully the *battle of Christ*, by public obedience, repentance, and reformation, that the Almighty's hand will visit the sins of the clergy, and that not one hypocrite can escape his thunders, earthquakes, fire, pestilence, famine, and double-edged sword, ready to burst upon their heads, exactly as they did in France 40 years past; for the following prophecies are exactly fulfilled, expressly to overthrow the Gentile church.

"Ye are cursed with a CURSE, even this whole nation, for ye have robbed God of tithes," &c. *Malachi*, the last prophet.

"As robbers lie in wait for a man, so the company of priests *murder* in the way by consent."

"They are all ignorant; they are ALL dumb dogs; they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yea, they are ALL greedy dogs, which can never have enough; they all look to their own way for gain from his quarter." *Isaiah*.

"My house is a house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves."

These words are written by the finger of God; may they penetrate and regenerate your heart, "to trust in no securities" but the security of God, by honest *obedience* to his merciful, just, and true *gospel*. Amen.

I am always, Right Rev. Lord, your humble servant,

JOHN BURRIDGE.

To the Right Rev. Lord of Canterbury, &c. &c.

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## No. VIII.

London, 4 March, 1829.

MY LADY CONYNGHAM,

The hour of temptation and desolation is at hand. Who can escape his decrees, who hurls proud princes from palaces, and exalts beggars from dunghills to sit among kings?

The clergy have brought religion into general *contempt*, by robbing the poor, who die oppressed with misery; but God will require the innocent blood at the hands of hypocritical priests.

The hour is come for every one to weep and tremble, whose heart forsakes the gospel in doctrine and practice.

London falls like Jerusalem. None but faithful Christians can escape the curses of God.

England must suffer dreadful convulsions, except the priests, princes, and people, do justice, love mercy, and follow the gospel. Millions of infidels can never prevail against faithful Christians.

I implore your Ladyship to read the enclosed papers attentively, alone, in your *boudoir*, and compare it with the testament of Christ.

May God let the truth reach the throne before it melts under his displeasure, to effect public reformation and repentance, and let sincere prayers for mercy avert a deluge of blood, the harvest of religious discords.

I send this, with forlorn hope, as the only channel to the throne.

I wrote to His Majesty from France, 2 April, 1827. I find I am a true prophet, and that another sudden panic will confound traitors, like Judas Iscariot, who betrayed his master with a kiss!!

I remain, &c. &c.

JOHN BURRIDGE.

To My Lady Conyngham, at Windsor Castle.

## No. IX.

"Wherefore, I will bring the worst of the heathens, and they shall possess your houses," &c.

MR. PEEL, Sunday, 31 May, 1829.

SIR,

The prime minister, and prime magistrate of England, were both levelled or dismounted last Wednesday. One in Hyde Park, the other in Regent-street. I saw the lord mayor, Thomson, roll. Thus, Providence confirms the solemn warnings I have given repeatedly, that God's anger is kindled against England and Europe.

The destruction of Europe, at the battle of Armageddon, leads to the blessed restoration of Jerusalem, as prophecied, and promised by Christ.

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No threats nor fears of *prisons or mad-houses* deter me from my *Christian* duty to remind you of all my predictions sent to you, Mr. Canning, and His Majesty, in March, April, and May 1827, from France. "Corn, *Catholics*, and Currency advance gradually (in disguise), a sword, pestilence, and famine, to ruin England before 5 April 1829. Another panic before that day will arrive, and continue till the system terminates whereby the rich oppress the poor till every hand be turned to firebrands," &c. &c. &c.

These my first original prophecies have been fulfilled by the extraordinary assemblage of the Lords on Saturday at 11 o'clock at night, one hour before the appointed day, to bring all those three laws forward, when they decided that Roman idolators were as good as any legislators or Protestants in Great Britain or Ireland. All the rest will also assuredly come to pass before 10 Aug. 1829 and 30 Jan. 1832, or in the twinkling of an eye, like thunder or earthquakes.

Your accursed Roman Bill was broken by the Romans, before it was ten days old, at Newry. You desire Irish solicitors to be interpreters of your own words, as if you had lost common sense and common Christianity altogether, for nothing stands if not truth, according to the Gospel. Your expulsion from Oxford drove your hard bargain with Sir M. Lopez at Westbury, whom you imprisoned for a notorious crime.

Above all, you have rejected a Christian's claim, although it is supported by Lord Erskine and Lord Eldon's decrees. I have this day sent a second letter to Lord Eldon upon this sacred subject, of which I annex a copy for your midnight reflection when conscience becomes man's infallible monitor, but I am only your humble Christian monitor,

JOHN BURRIDGE.

I did not intend to trouble you any more, but the providential escape of the Duke and Lord Mayor from death may inspire your hearts with due repentance and reform before you close the royal doors of "*the High Court*," which you may never see re-opened and never re-enter.

"The second woe is past, and the third cometh quickly." *Revelations of St. John.*

Your Bill for a market of the dead bodies of paupers excites general discontent and disgust among multitudes reduced to pauperism throughout the land by oppression, which God hates, and is sworn to avenge.*

* This bill for the sale of the dead bodies of *paupers* for dissection, like *murderers'* bodies, by the surgeons, was abandoned, soon after this letter, but is again attempted.

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## No. X.

*Extracts from "The Universe as it is." Republished,* 1830, *by William Woodley, R.N., and John Finleyson, Esquires.*

1. "I considered that as no sensible parallax or angle could be perceived as respecting *the fixed stars*, though the earth moved from the station, west of the sun, to east of the sun a distance of 190,000,000 miles, that therefore the earth must be immoveable.

2. "That as *the Great and Little Bear* constellations are in twenty-four hours whirled round the axle of the sky, an effect that could not be produced by a daily turning of the earth, therefore *I was assured the earth was fixed* and that the stars turned round!!

3. "I knew that if the comparatively small orbit we make (according to Newton) by the turning of the earth daily could possibly produce such an effect as that the *Great and Little Bear* should be seen to go round the pole of the heavens, that then the vast orbit of the earth, from the station west of the sun to east of the sun, a distance of 190,000,000 miles, must of necessity be observed by some visible alterations, as respects *the fixed stars* or Polar Star; but, strange as it may appear, no change can be perceived; therefore I consider the system of Newton (as it attacks the veracity of my *eyesight* and *my creed*) to be an imposition practised upon the credulity of the world. If the earth (instead of the sun) turned daily round with double the velocity of gunpowder, the wind would always blow eastwardly, nine times harder than any hurricanes, and destroy the whole creation.

"Long and frequent calms prove the earth is at rest. I prove the misconceptions of Newton to every man who reads my arguments soberly, and God himself will soon seal the establishment in so firm a manner that all men shall see it, and all their united abilities will never be able to overthrow it.

"The sun is a body of fire inexhaustible, but notwithstanding, all the regions of air, between it and the earth (to within one thousand miles of it and five miles of the earth, as witness the Alps, Mont Blanc, Mount Cenis, *etc.*) are so cold, beyond any thing we know on this globe, as would vitrify the human body to perfect solidity, if it could reach mankind.

"Newton asserts the globe is *flattened* at the Poles and swelled out at the Equator, but this would reduce its diameter to 6,000 miles instead of 7,200, or a difference of 1,200 miles.

"All the trials of navigation* with the regular floods and ebbs of the tides, prove there is no contraction at the poles, from diurnal motion, to cause an accumulation of water or earth at the equator;

* Particularly *Captain Parry's* late Voyages towards the North Pole.

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for if there was such a thing, occasioned by any cause, navigation, as must be plain to every good seaman, would be utterly impossible but on and near the equinoctial.

"Ships could not sail regularly from London to Greenland, but would, on account of the globe's deformity or the steep declivity in the northern hemisphere, slide down rapidly to the North Pole, the external point of their gravitation, as floating bodies, and there stop, unable to return!!!

"Upon reflection many will excuse my boldness, for they will find nature itself, as well as truth, cry out against a system held to be infallible, notwithstanding all its deformities.

"An additional proof of the fallacy of Newton's hypothesis, that the motion of the moon's shadow on the earth's surface, which covers about 180 miles upon it, is equal to the moon's motion from the sun, and this, in a calculation of time, is about two minutes every hour; all of which, I believe, will be allowed; but is it not deception, when opposed to Gospel truth, not to make any allowance for Newton's axical motion given to the earth, of 15 miles every minute, which would take people out of the moon's shadow in less than a quarter of an hour? whereas an eclipse may visibly continue three hours and a half. And why? Because the sun and moon travel in their respective orbits or courses together; only the moon is two minutes behind the sun, as will be explained. God is resolved to establish the truth, or annihilate all who reject it.

"Some years after having written this I found a book written by a Mr. Brothers, which confirmed my opinion, by giving me the data or distances of the planets and courses of the stars, and I extract the particulars from his book.

### *The Sun.*

"The sun is not 95,000,000 miles from the earth, but only the circumference of it, or 21,600 miles, and declining in a spiral orbit to 23 degrees south and north of the equator, it travels round the earth at about 106 miles in a minute.

"The sun was made to light half the world at once, and bears a reasonable proportionate size, compared to the earth; and the sun's diameter is one eighth part of the earth's circumference, or 900 miles.

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| The sun's circumference - - | 2,700 miles. |
| From the earth's centre to the sun's - | 25,650 miles. |
| Diameter of orbit - - - | 51,300 miles. |
| Circumference of orbit - - | 153,900 miles. |
| Hourly motion round the earth - | 6,412 miles. |

If the sun was 123 times greater than the earth, there would be but a very short twilight; all larger bodies overshadow the smaller, and the sun's rays would stretch all round, clear of the earth, and give constant daylight and faint shade of twilight.

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### *The Moon.*

"The *Moon* is not 240,000 miles from the earth, is only 10,800 miles distance, or half the sun's distance, and its orbit is perfectly circular and spiral (though the plane of it is inclined five degrees and a half from the sun's orbit), but not elliptical, by gravity and attraction.

"The moon travels through all the signs in the course of every lunation, declining north and south of the equator, beyond the solstitial limits of the sun, to 28½ degrees.

"Its motion is, from east to west, two minutes every hour behind the sun.

"The diameter of the moon is not 2,180 miles, but 600 miles, or one-twelfth of the circumference of the earth; it is not a world of mountains and volcanoes, but formed of transparent materials, when the sun shines.

"Serious *Christians* are invited to read the first chapter of Genesis, especially the 5 and 6 verses, and then their eyes may be opened to see *the truth*. God made the sun, moon, and stars for signs and for seasons, and divided the water, as the rain confirms ever since."

### *The Tides.**

"As to the tides, neither the moon on the one side, nor the centrifugal force on the other, has any thing to do with the circulation of the *water* any more than with the circulation of the *blood*. If the moon had any power of attraction, it would divert the course of the rain and dew, and draw up the lakes and rivers, before the great body of the ocean. The tides do not answer to the moon but once in 24 hours. On the Pacific Ocean, according to Cook's Voyages, there is scarcely any rise in them, to support Newton's theories.

"The mariner's compass completely refutes the Copernican system and the hypothesis of the earth's motion, because it is the north point of the heavens that regulates the magnetic needle, which always attracts, and fixes it to that particular point.

"In addition to this incontrovertible proof, the north point of the heavens has never yet moved from its first place; consequently,

* In the Baltic and Mediterranean seas there are merely *currents*, causing little or no flood nor ebb tides; the current, I believe, always sets *into* the Mediterranean, and generally *out* of the Baltic, I am told.

Hence, if true, additional proofs that the moon does not rule all the tides, especially as they flow and ebb in the smallest English harbours. At *Poole*, there are two tides to one at Portsmouth: an ingenious gentleman accounts for this by the projection of Cape Barfleur. He is author of a plan promising to remove bars from harbours, but has no friends at court!! Ed.

Tout tourne dans le monde
Mais le monde ne tourne pas.



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the earth cannot be in motion; if it was, the virtue of the load-stone would have no effect, as then the earth would be continually changing its position, with respect to the heavens.

"We see, on the contrary, that the needle is the same now as when first discovered, and the north pole of the earth keeps pointing to the *north star* now, every day and night, as it ever did. To prove this, let any one nail fast a pole or stick on the top of his house, with the end pointing exactly to the north star; and during every day and night of the year after, he will find the pole and north star to bear exactly as at first.

"What man in his senses, who sees clearly with his eyes, can believe the earth to have any motion round, on its axis like a grinding-stone in a tub of water, or forward, on its end, like a bird, or rather like a cannon ball?

"Newton's celebrated solar system is contradicted by our daily seeing the clouds blown from all parts of the compass; for if the earth had the Newtonian velocity of 68,000 miles hourly, all clouds and all the winds must come from one point.

"The whole solar system is an ingenious but *blasphemous* imposition, so plausibly contrived that, considering man's love of novelty and Newton's eminent character, a part of my surprise is done away.

"He knew that speculation beyond the bounds of human knowledge, nothing short of *divine* investigation could ever reach to detect the error; and at such a time his system must be thrown down, not by man but by God. The veracity of God is questioned, and he is determined on re-establishing the scripture or *annihilation to man.*"

William Woodley, Esq. R.N., has been raised up, after nearly 40 years, to republish and confirm this divine system by the Christian aid of Mr. John Finleyson, who, in the appointed ark, preserved the records to this blessed day, when truth must shine against Oxford, Cambridge, Eton, &c.—Magna est veritas et prevalebit. Mr. Woodley expresses his sentiments in words that must convey his name and memory down to posterity who rescues the character of the original author from the oblivion and disgrace cast upon him, against human and divine laws, by persecutors, if not murderers. William Woodley says, "I am aware (for it has been whispered to me), because I question Newton, philosophers will consider me in contemptuous silence as lunatic. I care not if I receive neither praise for my plainness nor lucre for my pains. What has ever paid but *fiction* [like Byron and Scott's]? In what age has *truth* received the plaudits of the world?

"The wise are always liberal, and rejoice to see truth supported by wisdom, rising in the full aspect of vigour from the tomb of smuggled oppression. Mr. Brothers was smuggled into concealment, and buried alive (I speak before living testimonies abun-

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dant), and he wrote from his sepulchral abode, with the juice of liquorish from his mouth, upon slips of paper conveyed to him by stealth, in oranges, by Captain Hanchett, R.N. Blush, O England!!! Posterity will be astonished that a nation so renowned for learning and liberal men should compel the God of heaven, in his servant, to enlighten the world from a madhouse at Islington, eleven years."

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First method (without chronometers) to find the LONGITUDE proposed by Commodore Woodley :—

"To obtain the longitude without a clock, it is necessary to get the sun's place, in his orbit, as respects the meridian of Greenwich.

"To do this, we must have the angle of the sun and moon for every three hours of every day*, from the meridian of Greenwich, set down in the *nautical* almanack; then, as the moon goes two minutes behind the sun every hour (or nearly so) in her orbit, whatever the angle is found to be, at the place where the ship is, must give the sun's place in his orbit; for example, if we find the angle of the sun and moon from the ship to be ten minutes greater than it is laid down for ten o'clock at Greenwich in the nautical almanack, then we know it must be three o'clock at Greenwich; accordingly, with the Greenwich time and the time at ship, we obtain the difference of longitude.†

"There is also a method by a meridional altitude which is equally simple; the methods in practice are very difficult and complicated.

"Readers are requested to observe, that in the figure showing the method of finding the longitude, according to Newton, by lunar observation, the earth *is especially directed to be considered fixed*, with the sun, moon, or star moving round it in circles!!!"

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## SIGNS OF UNIVERSAL PERPLEXITY, DISTRESS, DEPRAVITY, &c.

### No. XI.

"Madame Vestris, clad as a midshipman, is hailed with triumphant *encores* nightly, at Portsmouth and Southampton theatres, in her two new songs. 'My heart's true blue' and 'The Sailor's Tear,' was given with such exquisite feeling as to command breathless attention. 'My heart's true blue' is embellished with a portrait of *Madame Vestris*, as a *midshipman*." *Morning Herald*, 7 Jan. 1830.

* The angles of the sun and moon, for every three hours of every day, will be found already put down in the nautical almanack, therefore navigators may practise this method immediately.

† This method applies also with regard to the moon or a star, and would be found very accurate, for the star is even more regular than the sun, and has little or no declination.



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"Miss Cawse looked very awkward in male attire; her legs are thick and clumsy; but if young ladies will wear *breeches*, they must take all the consequences."* Ex *News, Valentine's Day*, 1830.

"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a *man*, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment, for all that do so are abomination to the Lord thy God." *Deut.* xxii. 5.

The Jews never profaned this law like the Gentiles, ergo, Protestant Christians act worse than Jews.

"*Graceful movements* would receive more genuine applause than is awarded to *the feat* of standing on *one leg*, with the other pointed, *i. e.* strained, above a girl's shoulder, or the eternal *pirouette*, which all, especially the opera ballet-dancers, attempt" (viz. Brocard, Julie, Adele, Athalie, Clara, and *Taglione*). Ex *Glance at Almack's*, p. 36. Surely these attractive nymphs should rather assume *male attire*, or Scotch Highland dresses, like Miss Love, Miss Cawse, Miss Tree, Madame Vestris, Mrs. Hill, &c. than spin round, on one leg, like tops, and most *shamelessly* exhibit *secret* charms, before our young nobility and gentry, whose morals and modesty are attacked, even at "*the King's theatre*," before their father's and mother's faces. I understand that rehearsals are practised commonly at the principal theatres on Sunday.

Augsburg, 28 Dec.—"Austria has made the barren Tyrolese mountains a *hell* to the inhabitants, and a *paradise* to her officers," &c. &c.

Naples, 4 Dec. 1829.—The king of Naples is this moment excommunicated by the pope. The bishop of Smyrna has been poisoned," &c.

Mr. Booth, secretary of the London Female Asylum, reports by a letter, dated 21 Jan. 1830, that the following numbers of harlots at present are in

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| The Female Penitentiary - - - | 110 |
| Magdalen - - - - | 80 |
| Guardian - - - - - | 48 |
| Lock Asylum - - - - | 20 |
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He also states that 102 have been provided for or reclaimed by the Metropolitan Asylum within the first four months of its establishment, and he appeals to Christians for benevolent subscriptions,

* "The public suffered not by Mr. Anderson's absence, as Vestris undertook Captain Macheath, sang and acted delightfully, 'almost conquering our distaste for ladies assuming gentlemen's attire at Drury Lane."—Ex *Intelligence*, 18 *April*, 1830.

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because the number patrolling London streets has been variously estimated, but probably exceeds 50,000 poor souls. Mr. Booth says, this excessive number alarms legislators and moralists, who hence pass the matter as beyond *all* remedy. It is beyond all *human* remedy. Ed.

## No. XII.

*Bow Street Police Office*, 20 *March*, 1829.

" Mr. Rowbottom, of ' *The Finish*,' appeared before Mr. Minshull, when a long conversation occurred between them respecting a 20*l*. note, traced into the landlord's possession after being stolen.

" Mr. Minshull interrogated him, and said, ' You are charged with having had a stolen note, of which you can give no account.'

" Mr. Rowbottom assured the magistrate he could not remember who paid him that note, as he attended most of the *sporting places*, and often received bets there.

" ' My house is frequented by *gentlemen* of the first respectability, for whom I am in the habit of changing bank notes.

" ' This very morning I had two of the first noblemen in the land at my house ; if either of them had wanted change, I am sure they would not have wished me to write their *names*.' An anonymous letter, signed ' *An honest Girl*,' led to this inquiry." Ex. *Times*, 21 *March*.

" The curiosity of the ladies who throng to hear the debates overcomes all sense of delicacy ; they sit above the House of Commons, peeping through the ventilating holes in the ceiling."

" Old Bailey, 24 Feb. 1829. — Eliz. Roe was indicted for perjury by Mr. Smith. Several well-dressed, fashionable women appeared not in the slightest degree abashed at the most filthy and disgusting details of some of the witnesses."

" Bridget Cory of Bodmin, spinster, was found guilty of defamation against Mrs. Loveday Wallis of Bodmin, in the Consistory Court of Exeter, and ordered to do *penance*." *Morn. Herald*, 28 *Feb*.

" The wife of a respectable tradesman in London was seized with a fatal disease, just as she entered a house of ill fame (with the view of an adulterous intercourse), which terminated in almost instant death. So rapid was the complaint as not even to permit removal from the guilty spot, where the coroner's inquest met and pronounced an awful verdict." This case must be fresh in recollection.

The author feels obliged to extract facts, to prove the reign of sin is the source of the distress of all nations.



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"A coroner's inquest was held on Elizabeth Jones, aged thirty-eight, at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, 16 Feb. 1830. Verdict, that she died for want of common necessaries, and by exposure to cold weather.

"How homeless midst ten thousand homes she stood,
How close ten thousand tables, died for want of food."

According to *the Times* report, the Lord Mayor had told her nothing could be done for her relief several days before.

"The *Herald* of April, 1828, states an order of affilliation has been obtained by the parish officers of St. George's, Hanover Square, against the Duke of Dorset, to compel his grace to give security for the maintenance of a child of which his grace was sworn to be the father; the mother now reduced to extreme poverty, having been abandoned, after her pregnancy, a few years ago.

"She accidentally met the Duke, and followed him to the Duke of Portland's, and ascertained his name was not *Smith*, as he had represented when he first took her under his protection.

"An alibi was attempted to be proved in vain by the Duke, but the woman's evidence was unimpeachable, and his grace paid 120*l.* compromise to the *parish officers*." Ecce homo!

"Lord Holland's son married Miss Fitzclarence, daughter of the Duke of Clarence by Mrs. Jordan, but this is *old news*, as it is called." Mrs. Jordan died, at Paris, under extreme want!! My correspondence with the Duke (as Lord High Admiral) is very considerable respecting the navy. His Grace opposed Lord Nelson, and voted in parliament against the Commission of Naval Inquiry, whereby many glaring abuses were detected.

## No. XIII.

### *Ex Rowland Hill's Tour*, 1798.

"If the nobility and gentry were fit for a heavenly paradise after removals from their earthly ones, it were well for England.

"Nothing increases wickedness so much as the profligate bad conduct of *great* men; while professed enemies to France, they are, by their example, friends of horrid infidelity, which has there converted men by millions into *monsters*. We are brutalized of course, and given up to the *religion of nature*, if foreign profligacy be adopted, which is rapidly advancing in England.

"Here and there a noble family is still to be found in which God's word is honoured, and the altar of *family prayer* devoutly attended!!! How different such a family (alluding to the Earl of Leven's at *Melvil House*, between Dundee and Edinburgh) compared to that brutality, rendering the *right honourable* abundantly more abominable than the lowest human creatures, because more conspicuously wicked, and consequently a greater curse to all partaking of the influence of such horrid examples.

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"I believe *pews* were not invented by the apostles.

"First the law ran '*cut down the presbyterians*,' then it was reversed '*extirpate all episcopalians*.'

"The sword was again restored to our order of bishops, as unlike the apostles as men can be. All act the same way, under the same circumstances, invested with the *civil sword*. The church is sure to be polluted, if invested with *civil* power.

"Archbishops Usher and Leighton claimed no other episcopacy or power than was delegated by the elective voice of the presbyters and people at large. A shade of such episcopacy remains in the English church, for upon a bishop's death, the king gives his *congé d'elire*, or permission to elect another, to the presbyters of the cathedral, at the same time recommending a man to their choice, which recommendation they no more dare refuse than they dare to eat a *red hot salamander !!* *

"We read of no bishopric in the gospel except Judas Iscariot's.

"I sincerely regret the connection of the church with the state, as it is impossible that she can be otherwise than corrupted by it.

"Popery is now dethroned *by God*, and shall never more be established by *man*."

The Holy Alliance proves Mr. Hill was *no prophet*, and upon another occasion when he preached upon *the glory of the last days* he omitted the 2 Psalm, and was rebuked by an old gentleman. That Psalm alludes more to *the millenium* than any other, and it is strange how he preached about it and did not see the main chain linking it directly to the overthrow of *all* warlike men in universal war, before universal Christian peace can be restored !!!

Mr. Hill very sensibly remarks, "that continual atrocities and oppression exercised over fellow creatures by Christians, full of divisions and strife, have prevented poor heathens from receiving the gospel, more than all other human passions."

## No. XIV.

### *Naval and Military Exploits*, 1828.

"When I fed them to the full they assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses."

It is notorious at Portsmouth, that Captains Fitz Clarence and Free—tle entertained all the fashionable cyprians at a grand ball

* All the Oxford, Cambridge, Winchester, and Eton candidates for bishoprics, generally spend their lives in search thereof, and the few who receive such *royal gifts* enter the temple with deadly lies (like Ananias and Sapphira), for they solemnly say, "*nolo episcopari*," or, "I am unwilling to be a bishop." When this law was made, it was well made, to keep impure men from daring to accept such important offices, for any real *Christian*, chosen to such responsible arduous duties, would *naturally* exclaim "*nolo episcopari*," and give a proof that he did not covet *loaves and fishes*.



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and supper given by these naval heroes, at their expense, when the chief naval and military officers also attended in June or July 1828.

All the cyprian ladies arrived in *carriages* on this occasion, to the rendezvous at the *Three Tuns*, a public house in Portsmouth, as the use of the ball room was refused, much to the credit of the proprietors.

The military afterwards invited the naval officers to a similar entertainment, and returned the compliment, when all the ladies assisted again at the ceremony. Whether the second ball was given at the same house, or at the barracks, the deponent knoweth not, but, if at the barracks, surely the governor ought not to have passed the matter sub silentio.

The facts are, two grand public balls were given to harlots by the navy and army at Portsmouth; though they have escaped public animadversion.

England trusts to her *navy and army* for defence against all the world, but if composed of such materials, the people who trust for protection to such men, ought to blush at the silent licence they seem to have given to vice in high circles which they punish and condemn in low quarters. No censure attaches, on this occasion, to the unfortunate girls, fond of waltzes. The harlots enter heaven before hypocrites, oppressors, blasphemers, liars, &c.

A nation is reduced to a total want of decency and sense, almost below all historical records, which not only tolerates such characters and supports them, but considers them worthy to be their guardians, and continues to toast 'the army and navy.'

Surely such depravity realizes the prophecy, and tokens that nothing but divine hands can punish or purify England.

## No. XV.

"On Sunday, 22 March, 1829, at St. George's church, Hanover Square, the banns of marriage were published between the honourable George Talbot (brother and heir of the catholic Earl of Shrewsbury) and Miss Jones, a natural daughter of Sir Horace St. Paul, M.P. for Bridport. The mode excited considerable curiosity in fashionable circles. She is described as Miss S. Paul, *Augusta Jones*, otherwise *S. Paul*, otherwise *Iverson*." — *Ex Morn. Journal*, 24 March.

The late Lord Ellenborough's bill to empower *juries* to punish adultery with *imprisonment* as well as *fine*, was rejected by the Lords, whom he declared to be '*a house of titled adulterers*.'

Lord Greaves has shown less magnanimity than Lord Ellenborough, whose divorce passed with acclamation!!

I wish it was possible to obtain lists of all the *bastards* serving under the *crown*, or expecting to serve. — How Lord and Lady Lennox have lately figured away at Covent Garden. What crim. cons., faux pas, &c.!!!

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## No. XVI.

"*The Society for Suppression of Vice* declare in the evidence taken before the police committee of the House of Commons, that dealers in obscene books and prints have too successfully introduced their pestilential articles into boarding schools for young ladies and gentlemen. The list of prosecutions against these offenders entitle the society to public support from all who wish to preserve rising generations." — *Printed Report*, 1825, page 10.

## No. XVII.

*The Vicar of Wellinger prophecied, A.D.* 1642.

"The time will come, as sure as the creed,
Of *priests* and *clerks* we shall have no need:
Churches shall fall — it shall be no wonder,
For the clergy and laity shall be asunder; —
Prayers for *founders* * shall pass away,
Most holy writs shall show all what to say.
A bastard in wedlock born shall be †
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Happy shall he be then, it is true
Who bids England farewell and adieu;
For sorrows shall come both to high and low,
How one shall trust another, none shall know;
Fine ladies then with sorrows shall sing,
Widows and maids their hands shall wring:
Wives with babes shall die in the street,
Millions must perish for want of meat:
*A wet summer* before this shall be ‡,
*The Vicar of Wellinger's Prophecy!!*"

HUMPHREY TINDAL.

* While 1000 Bible Societies, &c. are begging and praying for subscriptions, above one million bequeathed for schools, hospitals, &c. have been embezzled, according to commissioners' reports, in Chancery. Why not publish a list of the embezzlers' names and residences? If a poor man steals above tenpence, he is liable to transportation, and if above 40 shillings, it is a *capital* offence; but *wholesale* peculators pass with impunity. Alas!

† Last year was the *wettest* ever known in England.

The Duke of Sussex's marriage at Rome, 4 April, 1793, was dissolved by the prerogative court in 1794. The Lady "*Ameland*" died 5 March, 1830; her son's name is *George Murray*, born 15 Jan. 1794.

‡ The prophet Esdras seems also to have predicted the strange season of 1829, in the 15 chapter of his second book, which Christians will read and ponder, for it appears a divine description. "Behold clouds from the *east* and *north* very *horrible* to look upon (in harvest) full of wrath and storm. Then shall there come great storms, south north, and west, and strong winds from the east;" all round the compass.

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## No. XVIII.

*The King's Speech, 5 Feb. 1829.*

"His Majesty laments that, in *Ireland*, an association still exists, *dangerous* to the public peace."

*The Marquis of Anglesea's Speech in reply.*

"I have lived the last ten months under the nose of the Catholic Association, and I positively declare, I neither saw nor felt the *danger* so much talked of."

Here is the viceroy or king's lieutenant, giving "*the lie direct*" to his sovereign.

A more strange anomaly never occurred since the creation, because the king contradicts this representative, who complains also of private wrongs, after having had audience of his royal master at Windsor. Here is proof that the kingdom is divided, and that ministers have no Christian corner stone to rest upon.

"His Majesty assures the Commons he is anxious to enforce economy in every department of the state."

Ways and means to save 5000*l.* daily, in dock yards, are neglected by His Majesty's late and present ministers; consequently, "*Whigs and Tories*" are equally guilty.

## No. XIX.

According to a pamphlet just published by T. P. Macqueen, Esq. M. P. containing many appalling facts against the *game laws*, &c., we find, by the British statutes, there are 223 capital crimes punishable by death, and 156 of the number have been enacted since 1668.

There were 7946 persons capitally condemned to death in all England, from 1821 to 1827, *i. e.* in seven years, of whom 491 were executed. 34 people were condemned for *sacrilege*, not one of whom was executed, but many have been hanged for forgeries.

In seven short sessions, parliament appears to have passed above 2,100 bills or laws; the Morning Herald says 113 privy councillors receive each nearly 6,000*l.* per annum.

Mr. Peel says it is impossible to get through all the work!! What is this but the PERPLEXITY predicted in the gospel?

## No. XX.

"The condition of labourers gets worse and worse daily. Arson prevails, and the sufferers are overseers. The overseers near Maidstone informed 70 labourers they had not a shilling, but gave a gentleman's name whose poor-rates were in arrears, and they proceeded to his house and demanded the money, threatening the

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master with knives, &c. &c., till they received the money, after patiently waiting for it.

"Men are become *beasts*, and draw waggons loaded with coals, potatoes, &c. being yoked together like cattle."

"Let not Providence* be impiously arraigned by ascribing such miseries to any thing but *human* folly (covetousness and oppression) especially legislative folly, which has struck England with a curse more destructive than locusts or the plagues of Egypt.

"Lord Spencer's son, a high church minister, is turned a Roman." Ex *Morning Herald* 17 *Feb.* 1830.

The devil is all ready to break loose, even the hell-hounds.

## No. XXI.

For curiosity's sake I have examined some German, French, and English almanacks (without placing the least faith in either), containing strange predictions.

"1. *Death* will be busy among the GREAT men.

"2. A great meteor will rise E.N.E., and be visible through all Europe: we may expect many cities and towns to be destroyed in its progress, and it may fall on the skirts of Europe. There will be earthquakes and shipwrecks.

"3. The perplexed princes of Europe know not how to act; contractors, monopolizers, and jobbers will be very busy; but lay not hands on the poor man's loaf, for God is armed against such. There will be *all* sellers and *no* buyers.

"4. Muller prophecied France would be *quartered*, and the Holy Alliance fulfilled this. He was honoured by the emperor Alexander, and prophecied that *a large, massive, crowned book* would be universally read, *after* a year of *universal opposition;* and as *all the planets are in opposition* this year, we may soon expect *the Book* to be read over the universe, and that book must surely be the *Gospel*, as no other ever has been or can be *universal.*"

There will be a free trade in all things after universal *blights* and panics.

God said, when he made the stars, "*Let them be for signs and for seasons;*" therefore watchmen ought to look well all round, and gather good flowers, if possible, from every garden.

The Aurora Borealis, first observed in 1564 and 6 March 1715, caused great consternation. Since 1715 they appear frequently, and are called *northern lights*. The same year a great eclipse happened.—The *spots in the sun* were first observable about 200 years since. In 1816 and 1829 they appeared before or after very wet summers. Surely they are the signs in *the sun* as prophecied by Christ and the prophets.

* A parson at a public meeting ascribed the distress to Providence, and defended parliament.

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*Signs and Wonders in the Moon, seen near York, on Thursday, Aug. 20, indicating the great Changes which are likely to take place in the Affairs of the World.*

The York Herald says, "A person has called at our office, who relates some very curious appearances which he says he (in company with several others), witnessed in the moon, on their road from Leeds to this city, on Thursday night week. When they came near Halton Bar, about 11 o'clock, the moon had just risen above the horizon, and was shining serenely in a clear atmosphere. As the party were remarking to each other on the fineness of the night, the moon seemed to part in two, its disk separating down the centre, and leaving an apparent space of about one yard between the two hemispheres, in which the distant and deep azure of the sky was visible. Whilst in this state, from the northern limb of the lunar orb a bright appearance darted forth in a form like the head of a spear, and surrounded with brilliant stars. On a sudden it seemed to be withdrawn, and in its place appeared the distinct form of two human figures, which were visible to the waist, and one arm, and the hand of one of them was extended on the surface of that half of the disk from which it emerged. A deep red girdle was round the head of one of them. This appearance remained for some time, when a cloud obscured the moon altogether from view. On its having passed away, the same occurrence was renewed, and our informant states, that the whole time during which he had an uninterrupted view of these strange phenomena was above an hour, and that he and those that were with him were greatly amazed at the wonderful appearance. We give this account as nearly as possible as it was related to us, and no doubt some one may have seen these phenomena who may be able to give a more scientific description, and perhaps definition of them.

"On the following evening, another beautiful phenomenon was seen to the north of York, between eight and nine o'clock. Its first appearance resembled a large globe of fire, it then changed to a long stream of light, extending, to the eye, several yards in length, it finally assumed a zig-zag or serpentine form, and then disappeared. This meteor, in some part of its forms, resembled the Aurora Borealis."

"A clergyman of high consideration, and of great worth, has taken the trouble to make inquiries relative to the actual occurrences stated to be seen, and he informs the author of *the Prophetic Messenger*, that *every part thereof is strictly true*. The reader may rest assured these phenomena have their symbolical meaning, as omens kindly sent by Providence to forewarn us of the great and important changes soon to happen among the nations of the earth—the gradual approach of *the fulfilment of the scriptures*—the recall of the Hebrews to their ancient possessions, and the over-

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whelming tide of occurrences which, when they take place, will astonish mankind, and set the seal to divine revelations, beyond the power of infidels to remove." Let readers peruse at leisure 30 and 31 Jer. and 47 Isaiah. Ex *Doncaster Gazette*, 28 *Aug.* 1829.

On 25 April I saw another *double moon*, and the next day I found the vision of the moon at York last August has been verified by a clergyman; I am sorry his name is concealed, I suppose he dreads being published as a madman, or being set down as a black shepherd; he certainly acts unlike a true soldier of Christ. He ought to advance boldly to the battle, and to sound the alarm day and night.

A great comet was seen in 1811, and the next year Napoleon fell at Moscow.—A comet appeared in August 1829.

According to letters from Bucharest, the fortifications of several towns are razed, and the materials are to be employed in building three handsome Greek churches.

Want of snow has rendered travelling in *Lapland* very tedious this winter, although so severe in England, France, &c.

## No. XXII.

After Napoleon quitted Elba, the Holy Alliance, then assembled at Vienna, charged him with violating the convention of Paris, dated 30 March, 1814; and therefore, on the 13 March, 1815, the allies declared Napoleon an OUTLAW.

What a wonder they did not set a price upon his head? By the same decree the allies declared their resolution to maintain the treaty of Paris, and the dispositions guaranteed by the same.

How did Napoleon answer this but by proving that the ratified treaty of Fontainebleau, dated 11 April, 1814, was first broken by Louis XVIII. Napoleon issued a long manifesto, of which the following are extracts:—

"Le traité de Fontainebleau a été violé par les puissances alliées et par la maison de Bourbon en ce qui touche l'empereur Napoleon et sa famille.

"1. L'impératrice Marie Louise et son fils devaient obtenir des passeports et une escorte pour se rendre près de l'empereur: Loin d'exécuter cette promesse, on a separé violemment l'épouse de l'époux; le fils du père et cela dans des circonstances douloureuses où l'ame la plus forte a besoin de chercher de la consolation au sein de sa famille.

"2. La Sûreté de Napoleon, de sa famille et de leur suite etait garantie (Art. 14 du Traité) par toutes les puissances.

"7. L'empereur Napoleon devait reçevoir 2,000,000 et sa famille 2,500,000 francs par an, mais le gouvernement Français a constamment refusé d'acquitter ces engagemens et Napoleon se serait

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vu bientot réduit à licencier sa garde fidele, faute de moyens pour assurer sa paie."

The whole world may judge from this how far the scriptures are fulfilled, which declare that in the last days men should be *truce-breakers*, &c. The Emperor of Austria must suffer for the treachery committed against his son-in-law, Napoleon, by violating the Treaty of Paris and Fontainebleau, although Napoleon shed human blood like water. Englishmen also gloried in bloodshed whilst it procured plunder or prize money, and now they duly suffer the bitter stings.

## No. XXIII.

Earl Mountcashel presented to the House of Lords a petition for church reform, signed by 3000 members of the Church of England, including 60 county magistrates. He stated the 57 Geo. 3. allowed clergymen to farm 80 acres. In the Belfast Commercial Chronicle, 6 Feb. 1830, the Rev. R. Gregg appeared a bankrupt, dealer, and chapman, whose stock of furniture, hay, wine, whisky, &c. was advertised for sale.

"He knew an archdeacon who kept one of the best packs of fox-hounds. He had heard of a clergyman who, after *Divine service*, used to meet his brother huntsmen at the communion-table on Sunday, and arrange when and where the hounds were to start the next day.

"There are 53 Roman chapels opened, between 1824 and 1829, in England and Wales.

"The habits of the lower orders become daily worse and worse; *gin shops* are as open on Sundays as any other; public houses are more frequented on *Sundays than Mondays!* He proposed that a humble address be presented to the King, praying him to appoint a commission to inquire and state whether any and what abuses existed in the *established* Church of England and Ireland, and to report what remedies might be necessary for their correction.

"There did not appear one to second or support the motion, which was disdainfully rejected!!!"* (Ex *Times*, 5 *May*, 1830.)

## No. XXIV.

According to a curious pamphlet, published by a merchant of London, on the national distress, there are 288,481 stockholders,

* The usury laws are about to be abolished, contrary to the Bible, which informs us usury is a great crime in the sight of God. We shall soon be undone at such horrible rates, for it seems the fashion to reverse every thing, as men do hour glasses. All this reminds me of the vulgar proverb, "*As sure as the devil's in London.*" Man and beast are ordered to rest on the sabbath day, but even bishops, priests, and deacons, travel in state to churches to preach—the haut ton assemble in cavalcades in Hyde Park. Paris is better than London, which really seems the gayest, busiest day of the week at the Elephant and Castle, &c. where the stages are crowded by people who must keep at home or go to church, if the gin shops were closed.

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of whom 261,990 are receivers of yearly dividends under 200*l.*; showing that the creditors of *the national debt* are not a wealthy class. There also appear only 218 fundholders above 2000*l.* each. The author proves that it is impossible to obtain such effectual relief, by reducing their dividends, as is the most desirable and necessary.

The Unitarian's eldest son (whose father is alluded to in page 83) is, I am since informed, a strong believer of the gospel, and I name this as an instance of divine rule over vain rash vows, in opposition to the Creator and Saviour. May the father follow the son.

## No. XXV.

A new opening has been formed in the crater of Vesuvius, whence issue smoke and bituminous matter, accompanied with loud detonations.—Napoleon's mother lately died at Rome, but the King of Rome is alive and merry!

The PITT CLUB dinners are abolished.* Above a million is expending at Weevil without one pennyworth of parliamentary authority. Query, Who is the Bishop of Osnaburg since the Duke of York, whose foreign see was worth 35,000*l.* I understand Sir Robert Peel's father died lately, and bequeathed above two million sterling; but his son still receives his yearly salary as Secretary of State. No man serves his king and country gratis. Drayton church, where Sir Robert was buried, was plundered of all the black cloth and communion plate three nights afterwards, and 50*l.* reward offered.

On 27 May, the privy council ordered prayers for his Majesty's recovery, which were prepared on the 28 by the primate; and on 29 May, called oak-apple day, the Lords and Commons met to pass the Royal Signature Bill, and attended divine service at Westminster Abbey, where they were the first to hear the *new* prayer of the Archbishop of Canterbury, even on the day which has always been kept as a holiday, so that "our *feasts* are turned into mourning." This is certainly a divine warning given to our legislative bodies; but "there is no fear of death before their eyes." *Psalm* xxxvi.

The Ironmongers' Company pocket 3,000*l.* yearly, which was bequeathed to ransom *Christian* prisoners and slaves *from African pirates at Algiers, &c.* The Ironmongers have 104,000*l.* accumulated. Are slavery and piracy abolished?

M'Kay, the Scotch champion, was killed by Byrne, in a pugilistic battle, on 3 June 1830, for 200*l.* subscribed by "*the nobs*"

* Surgeon Abernethy says, "I tell you honestly what I think is the cause of the complicated maladies of the human race; it is gormandizing and stimulating the digestive organs to excess, producing nervous disorders and irritations."

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or lords of the ring, according to Bell's Sunday paper, which says *he fell gloriously*, after 47 brutal or bloody rounds, which is called *sport*, rather than *murder*.

Surely "*the nobs*" and every man present ought to be indicted, for they are 1000 times worse than the poor pugilists, whom they tempt to fight for "*money, the root of all evil.*"

The magistrates attempted to prevent this catastrophe.

John King was killed in battle by William Griffith on Whitsun Monday, at a fair at Leverstock Green, after fighting above an hour like tigers.

## No. XXVI.

### *Low Price of Labour, the Cause of general Distress.*

In 1732 the price of agricultural labour was settled by the magistrates at *six shillings per week*, and in the same year wheat was at two shillings and nine pence the bushel. *Gentleman's Mag.*

"In 1825, the price of labour was nine shillings per week, and wheat at nine shillings per bushel; therefore each labourer obtained the value of one bushel of wheat less for his week's labour in 1825 than he received in 1732. There are five millions of labourers in the United Kingdom, and a bushel of wheat is now worth eight shillings; if, therefore, the poor were to have the bushel of wheat restored to them (*which they have been deprived of by the operations of the corn laws*), they would be enabled to lay out one hundred and four millions annually more than they at present do, with the other classes of society, and thereby benefit all. For instance, they would be able to purchase of 104,000 *retail* shopkeepers one thousand a year, who (the shopkeepers) would lay out with 10,400 wholesale traders ten thousand per annum; the *wholesale* traders would purchase of 5200 manufacturers twenty thousand a-year, making in the whole a circulation of three hundred and twelve millions; the profits on which would be nearly eight times as much as the profits on the whole of our export trade. Employment would thus be found for all the useful classes, who are now so miserably distressed, and the comfort and happiness of the community at large would be greatly increased; poor's rates, in a great measure, abolished; and crime, the invariable consequence of low wages, prevented."—*Author's Friend.* Adieu!!

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